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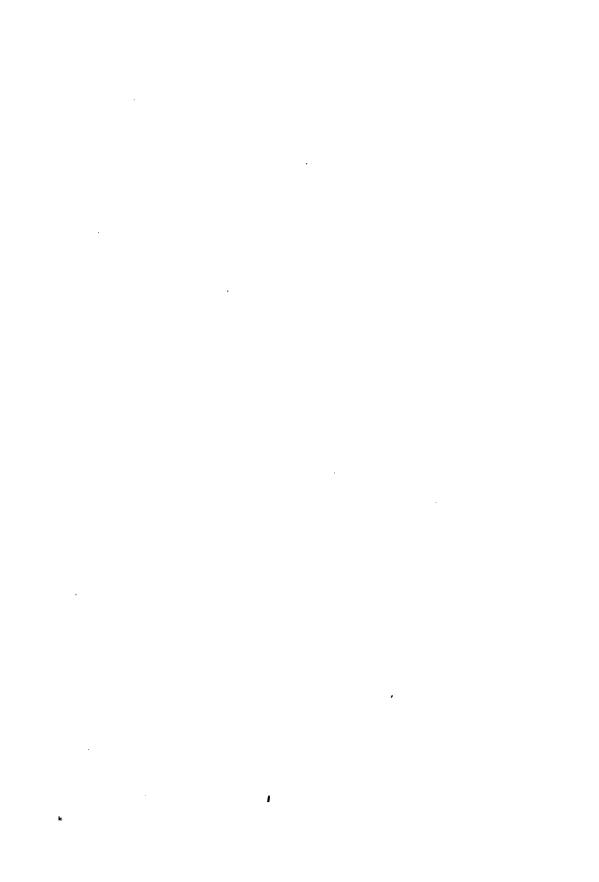
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OF THEIR

PREDECESSORS DURING SIX CENTURIES

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INTRODUCTION.

LTHOUGH the Members for Worcestershire cannot be traced further back than 1295, yet there is little doubt that the County enjoyed the privilege of returning Representatives, similarly to other shires, from the year 1215, though unfortunately the earlier names have been hopelessly lost. The Lists of Members for the last 600 years, based upon the Official Returns printed by order of Parliament in 1878, will however be found to be more complete and accurate than in that excellent work, inasmuch as Mr. Duncombe Pink has again placed at the writer's disposal the benefit of his years of careful research into contemporary Manuscripts and other sources, whereby the names of several Members, omitted from the Official Returns, have been supplied. Some difficulty has been experienced in attempting to identify the Members for the first 250 years, by reason of the numerous changes occasioned by Parliaments being held not only once a year, but frequently twice, and sometimes even three times a year. After that period Monarchs varied the routine by reigning for years without summoning a Parliament at all.

Worcestershire returned no less than 16 Members in 1295, two each for the Shire and City of Worcester, and the Boroughs of Bromsgrove, Droitwich, Dudley, Evesham, Kidderminster, and Pershore. With the exception of Droitwich, which survived till 1311, all these Boroughs parted with the privilege the same year as they first enjoyed it, and probably if not at their own request, certainly much to their delight, as the payment of the usual wages of the Members, two shillings a day, was always regarded as an irksome tax upon the resources of these smaller towns. It was not again till 1554 that Droitwich was re-enfranchised, while Evesham regained the right in 1604, and Bewdley was allowed one Member in 1605. In 1654 and 1656 Worcestershire returned five Members, and the City of Worcester two. The first Reform Act of 1832 divided the County into two Divisions, each returning two Members, and taking one Member from Droitwich, bestowed one each again upon Dudley and Kidderminster. The only

change made by the Reform Act 1867 was to take one Member from Evesham, and it remained for the third Reform Act of 1885 to make the most sweeping changes, for not only did it deprive the City of Worcester of one of its Members, but it also totally extinguished the separate representation of Bewdley, Droitwich, and Evesham. On the other hand it divided the County into five Divisions, each returning one Member, and thus fixed the number of Worcestershire representatives at eight, just half what it was in 1295.

Worcestershire has practically been represented for 600 years by its own sons, and in most cases where seemingly some stranger has been elected, he will be found to have been connected by marriage ties with the County Families. Among the ancient families may be mentioned the Attwoods, Beauchamps, Blounts, Bracys, Cokeseyes, Staffords, Talbots, and Throckmortons, all of note in their day, and during the last two or three centuries the political representation of the county has chiefly been distributed among such well known names as Berkeley, Bromley, Coventry, Foley, Harley, Lechmere, Lygon, Lyttelton, Pytts, Sandys, Ward, and Winnington.

Among the Worcestershire Members have been many eminent men. Passing over the many who attained the honour of Knighthood, by distinguished service to their Sovereign, in the numerous wars with France or Scotland, and those who in later times were admitted among the order of Baronets, several of its Members have attained the dignity of the Peerage, by creation or succession, such as the Duke of Manchester; the Earls Beauchamp, Bellomont, Coventry, Iddesleigh, Sefton, and Spencer; the Viscounts Cobham, Conway, Dudley and Ward, Hereford, Sherbrooke, and Windsor; and the Barons Annaly, Calthorpe, Campbell, Foley, Hampton, Herbert of Chirbury, Hindlip, Kennedy, Lyttelton, Masham, Northwick, Sandys, Somers, Truro, and Westcote.

Among the Members who have held high office were no less than three Lord Chancellors, Lord Somers, Lord Truro, and Lord Campbell; and four Chancellors of the Exchequer, Samuel Sandys, William Dowdeswell, the Earl of Iddesleigh, and Viscount Sherbrooke. Sir John Bourne, Viscount Conway, the Earl of Dudley, and Lord Hampton were Secretaries of State. Thomas Winnington was Paymaster General, and Sir John Rushout Treasurer of the Navy. Robert Bowyer was Clerk of the House of Lords, and Sir Denis le Marchant Clerk of the House of Commons, while Samuel Pytts, Edwyn Sandys, Sir Edward Winnington, C. W. Boughton-Rouse, Sir F. W. Knight, G. C. L. Berkeley, and Lord Annaly held minor Ministerial offices. The Earl of Bellomont and Lord Westcote occupied the positions of Governors in America, while Sir Charles Cockerell was Postmaster General of India, and Sir Richard Temple Governor of Bombay. Sir Ralph Clare, Endymion Porter, Sir Henry Herbert, Crew Offley, Lord George Bentinck, Lord Masham, Henry Seymour, the Duke of Manchester, Earl Spencer, Earl Beauchamp, and the Earl of Coventry have all been Courtiers. Lord Marcus Hill was for years a Ministerial "Whip."

Of Judges of the Superior Courts there were Sir Robert Berkeley, Sir Thomas Coventry, Serjeant Cresheld, John Wylde, Nicholas Lechmere, Sir Robert Atkins, Sir William Morton, Sir Thomas Street, and Sir Richard Amphlett, while E. Winnington Jeffreys was a Welsh Judge. Sir Francis Winnington was Solicitor General, and Æneas McIntyre became a County Court Judge. Thomas Vernon was the celebrated Law Reporter. Francis Winnington and Alfred Bristow were Solicitors to the Admiralty.

Of Ambassadors there were Sir Thomas Edmondes, Henry Coventry, Sir James Rushout, and William Finch. Of Soldiers, Sir John Phelipp who fought at Agincourt, Sir Thomas Leighton, Sir Charles Lyttelton, Viscount Windsor, Phineas Bowles, General H. B. Lygon, Col. T. H. H. Davies one of the Waterloo heroes, and Major Anson who won the Victoria Cross in the Mutiny. Charles Cornewall was a distinguished Admiral. H. Crabb Boulton, T. Bates Rous, Samuel Smith, and Abraham Robarts were East India Directors, and William Manning a Director of the Bank of England. John Porter was an Alderman of London.

The stirring times of the Great Civil War brought into prominence the Worcestershire Royalists Sir John Hanmer, Anthony Langston, Sir John Pakington, Sir William Russell, and Samuel Sandys; while sturdy men of the Commonwealth were Sir Robert Harley,

James Berry, John Bridges, William Collins, Edward Elvins, Samuel Gardner, John James, Thomas Rainsborough (who met with a violent death), and Richard Salwey.

Richard de Clebury was the King's Cook, while Sir John Musard was the King's Valet. Sir Henry Spelman was the celebrated Antiquary, while John Pakington is remembered for his spirited controversy with the Bishop of Worcester. To other Members a more melancholy interest attaches, for Sir John de Beauchamp was beheaded on Tower Hill, and Sir Humphrey Stafford slain in Jack Cade's rebellion. Sir Massey Lopes was sentenced to fine and imprisonment for bribery. G W. Hastings was expelled the House. John Lyttelton and Sir Henry Bromley were both concerned in Essex's rising, and the latter was convicted of treason, and died in prison. Mr. Pickersgill-Cunliffe died from the effects of a railway accident.

Of the defeated Candidates who never gained a Worcestershire seat, the most noted were Edward Bearcroft, who became Chief Justice of Chester; Sir Edwin Chadwick, the Poor Law Reformer; Sir J. W. Huddleston, Baron of the Exchequer; Sir Watkin Lewis and Sir F. W. Truscott, both Lord Mayors of London; Sir George Lyttelton, Chancellor of the Exchequer; Viscount Monck, Governor General of Canada; and Sir John Willes, Lord Chief Justice of England.

Among the many authorities consulted, besides the usual Peerages and similar works, due acknowledgement must be made of such excellent local histories as Nash's Worcestershire, Price's Worcester, and Burton's Bewdley and Kidderminster, together with the Directory of National Biography, and Foster's Alumni Oxonienses; while the Patent Rolls, Close Rolls, and Calendars of State Papers have supplied many interesting incidents. The politics of the Members during the 18th century are inserted through the courtesy of the Rev. A. B. Beavan, M.A., who has also otherwise afforded much valuable information.

In conclusion the writer desires to express his sincere acknowledgments to the Subscribers for their generous support of the work, and to return his grateful thanks to the several ladies and gentlemen who have so courteously afforded him information concerning their families. He also desires once more to place on record the invaluable assistance rendered by Mr. W. Duncombe Pink, who with unfailing courtesy has at all times placed the results of his laborious researches at his disposal, and has very kindly revised the greater portion of the work.

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1st March, 1897.





MEMBERS

FOR

WORCESTERSHIRE.

1213, 1226, 1254, 1261, 1265, 1275, Jan. 1283, Sept. 1283, 1290, and 1294. The returns to all these Parliaments have been lost. Burgesses were first returned in 1265, but probably not to such an extent as in 1295, which was the first full House of Commons.

1295. William le Seneschal. Simon de Crumbe.

The former was M.P. co. Worcester 1295, 1297, 1298, and died Dec. 1307. Pardon, at the instance of Edmund, the King's brother. 5 Nov. 1282, to William le Seneschal and others of their trespass in holding the Castle of Certel against the said Edmund. He and others received a commission to assess co. Worc., 12 Nov. 1294, and (as Sir Wm. le Seneschal, Knt.) 4 Dec. 1295. He and Alex. de Fryvill (see 1340) were app. 16 Sept. 1297, to select and retain in the King's service at the King's wages, Knights and Yeomen of co. Worc. at their discretion, to be at London with their horses and arms by a fortnight after Michaelmas. The same two were app. 24 Dec. 1307, to be Keepers of the Peace for co. Worc. during the King's absence beyond seas. On 28 Nov. 1307, Wm. le Seneschal and Edmund de Grafton (see 1311) were app. to assess and collect the twentieth and fifteenth granted to the King by the Parliament holden at Northampton in the 1st year of his reign; but on 6 Jan. 1308, Robert de Bracy (see 1301), and Osbert de Apetoft were similarly app. in the place of Wm. le Seneschal, deceased, and Edmund de Grafton otherwise employed. (Patent Rolls).

Sir Simon de Crombe, Knt., was M.P. 1295, 1300, 1301, and witnessed in 1320 the Charter of a Chantry given to Ripple by John Salemon. He held lands under the Bishop of Worcester in Tydelminton and Edmundescote, and paid twenty shillings yearly to the Bishop out of his manor of Crombe. He had many manorial rights which by form of law were forfeited to Walter de Cantalupe, but in 1273 were restored

to Simon by his paying to the Bishop twenty shillings yearly for their redemption. He presented to Cromb Simon 8 id. May 1286, and 6 kal. April 1317 (Nash's Worcestershire). On 1 Nov. 1301, he and others were app. to assess co. Worc., and on 17 March 1308, were app. Conservators of the Peace for co. Worc. (Patent Rolls).

1296. No returns found.1267. William le Seneschal.William de Fokerham.

William de Fokerham (quaere son of Sir Richard) was M.P. 1297, 1302, 1305, 1306, and held the Manor of Warley under Roger de Somery, temp. Edw. I. The family continued till at least Edw. III. Edmund de Grafton (see 1311) and Wm. de Fokerham were app. 10 May 1300, Commissioners for co. Worc., to hear and determine complaints of transgressions against Magna Charta; and on 26 Aug. 1309, Wm. de Fokerham and others were app. for co. Worc. to assess and levy the twenty-fifth upon all moveable goods for the war in Scotland.

1298. William le Seneschal. Thomas de Bottelegh.

The latter was also M.P. co. Gloucester (as T. de Botiler) 1305. On 10 April 1290, the King granted pardon to Thomas de Bottelegh, late Verderer of Feckenham Forest, for a fine of 100 shillings.

1300. March. Roger de Bracy. Simon de Crumbe.

1300. May. Return lost.

Robert de Bracy. Simon de Crombe.

Robert de Bracy, of Warndon, was Sub-Sheriff of co. Worc. 1298; M.P. 1301, 1305; held two hides of land in Warmedon, presented to Madersfeld 10 kal. June 1311, and to Warmedon 14 kal. June 1300, 17 kal. Jan. 1303, 12 kal. May 1313, and 17 kal. June 1314. and was made a Conservator of the Peace for co. Worc. 17 March 1308. The heiress of this line m. Thomas Lygon temp. Hen. V. (see 1467). Robert de Bracy, Peter de Salso Marisco (see 1306), Wm. de Salso Marisco, and Paulinus de Kaudif were witnesses 13 Oct. 1283, to the confirmation of a grant of the Manor of Knithwyk, co. Worc., by the Prior of Great Malvern, to the Bishop of Worcester. He and Edmund de Grafton (see 1311) were app. Commrs. to assess and collect the aid in co. Salop 30 July 1297. Commission of oyer and terminer 24 Oct. 1298, to Wm. de Mortuo Mari and Robt. de Bracy, touching the persons who entered the park and free-chace of Matilda, late the wife of Philip Burnel, at Conde, Salop, hunted therein, and carried away her swine of the forest. Commission of over and terminer to Robert de Bracy and another, 15 July 1310, touching a breach of the

park of Guy de Bello Campo, Earl of Warwick, at Beleye co. Worc., He also served on several other similar Commissions. (Patent Rolls).

1302. William Fokerham.

Adam de Elmerig, or Elmebrig.

Otherwise Elmerugge or Elmbridge. Probably of the same family as Roger de Elmerugge, M.P., for co. Hereford, 1318 (see Williams' Parliamentary History of Herefordshire). Adam de Elmrig held Elmerugge temp. Edw. I. and was descended from Ynardus de E. who is mentioned in the Testa de Nevill as holding 4 parts of a Knight's fee in Elmerugge. The family ended in 1507 with an heiress who m. Sir John Dannet.

1305. Robert de Bracy. William de Fukeram.

1306. William de Fukerham. Peter de Salso Marisco.

The latter sat for co. Worc. 1306, 1307, and was either the same or the father of the M.P. for Yorkshire 1330. He and others received a commission of oyer and terminer 16 April 1288 touching Henry de Wintonia, who being charged with the death of Thomas de Blake of Brockton was detained in this prison of Worcester and by inquisition of the Sheriff of Worcester was found to have been so charged in hatred and malice and was bound over to appear before the Justices at their first assizes but has surrendered himself to prison to obtain swift justice. He was one of those app. to raise the assessment in co. Worc. 12 Nov. 1294. (Patent Rolls). On 31 July 1321 Sir Peter de Salso Marisco acknowledged that he owed to John de Ellerker the elder, 100 shillings; to be levied, in default of payment, of his lands and chattels in co. York. On 5 July 1322 he also acknowledged that he owed to Thomas de Cobham, Knt., £100; to be levied of his lands in co. Norfolk. (Close Rolls). These however may have applied to his son.

1307. January. Peter de Salso. Walter Haket.

The writ returning Peter de Salso is endorsed with the words, "Non venit quia infirmus." Walter Haket and his wife Isabella are mentioned in the Patent Rolls for 1285 as complaining to the King that they and others held Ekington manor at farm from William le Poer who ejected them therefrom without due cause, for which they sought redress. On 5 June 1309 the King granted Protection until All Saints' Day for Walter Haket going beyond seas with Robert de Tony; and the same date Walter has letters nominating Henry de Hextan his attorney for one year. Appointment 6 Aug. 1309 of Walter Haket to the custody of the King's Castle of Mackenegan (Newcastle) co. Wicklow. Sir Walter Haket, Knt, sat for Salop 1316.

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1307. October; and 1308. Returns lost.

1309. Robert Sturmy. Robert de Somery.

The Sturmys were seated at Sutton Sturmey from very early time, and certainly held the same lands as late as Hen. VI. Another branch continued at Rushock until 7 Hen. VII. A knight named Sturmy was very zealous for recovery of the Holy Land. John Sturmy paid for lands in Sutton temp. Edw. I.; and in 20 Edw. III. John de Sturmy held the same lands in Sutton which Robert Sturmy anciently held. Robert Sturmy was M.P. 1309, 1315. The King granted Pardon 27 Dec. 1327 at the request of Roger de Mortuo Mari, to Robert Sturmy, Simon de Crombe (see 1295), Robert de Somery, John de Everle (see 1320), Thomas de Littleton (see 1316), Richard de Hauckeslowe (see 1322), Richard de Ruyhale, John de Stone of Temedebury (see 1320), Richard Bertram (1329), Robert de Sevenhampton junior (see Worcester 1332), Thomas de Newyngton, Richard atte Boure, and others of £329 6s. 8d. remaining due on a fine which they were compelled to make with the late King, by the procurement of Hugh le Despencer and others of his confederacy, for a certain trespass maliciously charged upon them by the said Hugh. On 3 Sep. 1327 commission of over and terminer issued to Robert Sturmy and others on complaint by William del Hay, that John de Stone (see 1320) and others carried away 3 horses, 8 oxen, and 3 cows at Littlehey, Salop.

Robert de Somery who was M.P. 1309, 1313, 1316, 1325, 1332, was probably a younger grandson of Roger de Somery (who began about 1261 to make a Castle of his manor house at Dudley and was obliged to obtain a licence from the King in 1263, to enable him to proceed with the work, and who died 1273, leaving an eldest son Roger who died 1300). Robert was apparently younger brother to Sir John de Someri, summoned to Parl. as Baron of Dudley in 1308, and d. in 1322, and who through his eldest sister and co-heir was ancestor of the Lords Dudley. Robert de Somery and Alex. de Befford (see 1313), received a commission 10 March 1327 to hold an inquisition eoncerning the state of the manor and forest of Feckenham, the custody of which had been committed by the King to Robert de Haileye during pleasure. On 16 Sept. 1332 Walter de Newenton (see 1336) and Robert de Somery were app. to assess and levy in co. Worc. the fifteenth and tenth of moveable goods, granted to the King in the present Parliament for the business of Ireland and other business. Robert de Somery presented to the living of Bishampton in 1286.

1311. Aug. John de Wasseburne. Edmund de Grafton.

Sir John de Washbourne who was probably grandfather of the M.P. 1403, was son of Sir Roger. Order 1 April 1315 to Master John

Waleweyn, escheator this side Trent, to deliver to Matilda wife of Roger de Chaundos, a Knight's fee in Olreton co. Worc. which John de Wassheburn holds, of the yearly value of \pounds_4 , assigned to her as part of her dower. (Close Rolls).

Sir Edmund de Grafton was M.P. 1311, 1313, 1314, app. a Commr. to assess co. Worc. 1 Nov. 1301, and on 15 July 1301 was one of those app. to enquire by jury of co. Worc. what Bailiffs or Ministers had received bribes to stay at home, from the 500 footmen selected in co. Worc., and to attach them and compel them to join the army without delay. He was app. 26 Aug. 1309, a Commr. for co. Worc. to assess and levy the twenty-fifth upon all moveable goods, for the War in Scotland, and on 4 Dec. 1312 a commission of oyer and terminer issued to him and others on complaint of Robert de Loggore, parson of the Church of Sutham, that John de Derby and others forcibly carried away his goods at Sutham, co. Warwick. He was doubtless an early ancestor of the Graftons who "did formerly enjoy a long revenue of lands, both in Worcester and Worcestershire, as at Grafton, Flyford and Pendock, and also other lands in co. Stafford." They seem to have become extinct before the Visitation in 1569.

1311. Nov. Sir John de Wasseburne Knt. Sir Edmund de Grafton Knt.

1312. William le Galeis William le Seneschal.

The latter was the son of the M.P. 1295, and was one of those app. 26 Aug. 1309 to assess and levy the twenty-fifth upon all moveable goods in co. Worc. for the war in Scotland.

Wm. le Galeis was perhaps the same as Wm. de Waley, M.P. Salop, 1324. The name afterwards became Walsh.

1313. March. Edmund de Grafton.
Alexander de Besford.

The enrolment of the Writ de Expensis gives Alex. de Besseford and Walter Haket (see 1307). Alexander was M.P. 1313, 1315, 1324, and presented to Flavel Flivord 2 kal. Mar. 1300, and was still patron of that Church in 1321.

1313. July. Return lost.

1313. Sept. Edmund de Grafton.
Alexander de Besforde.

1314. April. Return lost.

1314. Sept. Edmund de Graftone. John de Bysshoppesdon.

The latter was also M.P. co. Warwick 1319, and (as Knt.) 1326, 1330. Commission of the Peace 22 July 1330 to John de Bishopesden

in co. Warwick pursuant to the Statute of Winchester. He and Robert de Valle were app. 1328 Collectors in co. Warwick of the twentieth of moveables granted to the King by Parl. for the defence of the kingdom against the Scots.

1315. Robert de Sturmy. Alexander de Besford.

1316. Jan. Richard de Clebury.

Appointment 26 Aug. 1307 of Richard de Clebury, the King's Cook, to the custody of the manor of Stourton subject to a yearly payment into the Exchequer. On 3 May 1313 Richard de Clebury going beyond the seas with the King and on his service had protection until St. Peter ad Vincula. He was Cook to the three Kings, Edward I., II. and III., and on 9 Feb. 1328, the King granted to Master Richard de Clebury, in consideration of his good service and of his infirmity, and at the request of Roger de Mortuo Mari de Wygemor, leave to absent himself from the Court and to return again and resume his labours at his pleasure, receiving his wages, fees, and robes, at the time of the livery, as well present as absent, and if too infirm to labour, then he is to receive his wages and robes at the Exchequer. Grant for life 21 July 1331 to R. de C., King's Sergeant and Cook, of the bailiwick of the forestership of Corndon by Montgomerie. Appointment 22 July 1334 of Master R. de C., King's Yeoman, in consideration of his services to the custody of lands in Russhton, co. Northampton (Patent Rolls). He acknowledged 20 May 1318 that he owed to Robert Albyn £16 4s. 7d., to be levied, in default of payment, of his lands and chattels in co. Worc. (Close Rolls).

1316. April. Robert Somery. Thomas de Luttelton.

The latter was the 2nd son of Thomas de Luttelton, and m. Julian, dau. and heir of Robert de Somery. He was the first of the family to represent the County, which so many of his descendants have since done. Commission of oyer and terminer issued to Justices 15 July 1309 on complaint by Roger de Billesleye and Isabella his wife that Thomas de Littleton and others entered his houses at Coketon, co. Warwick, assaulted him, his children, and servants, imprisoned him, took away his wife Isabella to Warwick and imprisoned her there, impounded 6 of his oxen and 8 of his cows, broke his close, felled his trees, and with cattle depastured, trampled down, and consumed his growing corn. He succ. his eldest brother, Edmund of Coulesdon, in his estates at Naunton and South Lyttelton, and was M.P. co. Worcester 1316. The name is derived from Littleton in the Vale of Evesham.

1316. July. Robert de Somery.
Thomas de Luttleton.

Walter de Berthrop. Walter le Blount.

Commission of oyer and terminer issued to Justices I June 1330 on complaint by Roger de Mortuo Mari, Earl of March, that Walter le Blound, Richard Bertram (see 1328), and others broke his park at Cleobury Mortimer, Salop, entered his chace at Wyre, hunted there and carried away deer. Sir Walter le Blount, of the Rock, co. Worc., was 2nd son but eventually heir of Sir William le B., by Isabel, dau. of Wm. de Beauchamp, Earl of Warwick. He m. Johanna. 3rd sister and co-heir of Sir Wm. de Sodington (see Evesham, 1295), and thereby acquired the Manor of Sodington, and d. 1322. He was ancestor of the long line of Blounts of Sodington.

1319. Roger Mael.
John, son of Simon le Brun.

As to the latter see 1336.

John de Everleye.
John de Stone.

John de Everley, Lord of Spechesley, presented to Spetchley 1298, 17 kal. Oct. 1325, and 15 kal. June 1338, as did Wm. de Everley 20 April 1345. The Sheriff of Worcester was ordered 1 July 1316, to cause two coroners for that county to be elected in place of John de Everleye and Robert de Staunton, who resided in the farthest limits of the county, so that they could not conveniently execute their office. (Close Rolls).

John de Stone was M.P. co. Worc. 1320, 1322, 1324, 1327, 1328, 1330, 1334, 1337, 1339, 1342, and also for the city 1339. He and Hugh de Cokeseye (see 1337), were commissioned 29 Aug. 1336, on information that the bridge of Wyk by Worcester was in a dangerous state, and that those who were bound to repair it refused to contribute to its repair, to survey the bridge and to distrain on those, who by reason of their lands in those parts, had to support the bridge for the necessary repairs Wm. de Stone was Lord of the Manor of Stone 1285, as was Thomas de Stone 1300.

Walter le Blount. Henry de Wenlont.

On 12 June 1320 Walter de Cantilupo, parson of the Church of Snytenfeld, and Thomas Betoun, parson of the Church of Avene Derset, both in the Diocese of Worcester, acknowledged that they owed Henry de Wenlond forty shillings, to be levied, in default of payment, of their lands and chattels and ecclesiastical goods in co. Warwick. (Close Rolls). On 27 May 1330, Giles de Bello Campo, going to Gascony on the King's service, had letters nominating Wm. de Bradewell (see 1322) and Henry de Wenlond his attorneys for one year.

1322. May. William de Bradewell. Richard de Hauekeslowe.

The former was M.P. co. Worc. 1322, 1324, 1332, and co. Glouc. 1324, 1331, 1332.

Commission of oyer and terminer to Wm. de Bradewelle and others 23 March 1327 on complaint by Nicholas de Aston of trespasses within his closes at Pupplinton and Clifton, co. Worc. The same to him and others 24 Dec. 1327 on complaint by the Prior of Llanthony by Gloucester that John Besemaunsel and others carried away his goods at Gloucester and Berneton. The same to him, John Golaffre (see 1337) and Robert de Prestbury 1 Jan. 1328 on complaint by Nicholas de Somery that Henry atte Hurst and others assaulted him at Kyngton, co. Worc. and carried away his goods.

Sir Richard de Haukeslowe was Keeper of Hanley Castle 1329, Sub Sheriff of co. Worc. 1330, and M.P. 1322, 1324, 1327, 1328, 1331, 1332, 1342. He was app. 30 Jan. 1327 Chirographer of the Bench during pleasure, and on 6 Feb. 1328 received, at the request of Roger de Mortuo Mari a grant of that office for life. A commission of oyer and terminer issued to him, Wm. Corbet, and John Peyto, 4 May 1327, and he also served on several other similar commissions, among them being one to him, Thomas Bacoun, and Robert de Aston, 21 June 1333 on complaint by Wm la Zouche of Mortymer, that Robert Bracy, knight, Richard his brother (see 1330), and others hunted in his chase at Malverne, carried away deer, and assaulted his servants. On 16 Feb. 1331 Rich. Haukeslow and Wm. Corbet were app. Commrs. of the Peace for co. Worc.

1322. Nov. John de Ocleye. John de Stone.

The word *Valettus* is placed against John de Stone's name in the Writ de Expensis.

1324. Jan. Richard de Haukeslowe. John de Stone.

1324. Oct. William de Bradewelle. Alexander de Besford.

Robert de Somery. Henry de Wenlonde.

1326. Richard de Hauckeslowe. Robert atte Wode.

Robert Attwode (perhaps son of John atte Wode, M.P. Worcester City, 1315,) was M.P. co. Worc. 1327, 1344, and father or brother to Thomas de Attewode, of Attewode in Wolverley, who was Sub-Sheriff 1342. The family possessed estates at Trimpley and Wolverley at a very

early period. The direct line failed with Abel Attwood in 1726, called on his tombstone "the last heir male of that elder house."

John de Ston'.
Robert atte Wode.

1328. Feb. Richard de Hauekeslowe. Iohn de Stone.

1328. April. Richard de Haukeslowe. Peter de Greote.

Peter de Grete of Worcester and Westbury was M.P. County and City of Worcester April 1328, Sept. 1336, 1338, for the County Oct. 1328, 1332, 1334, 1335, 1338, and for the City, 1320, 1326, 1330, 1335, March 1336, 1337. John de Grafton and Peter Greete were app. Commrs. in 1335 to levy 100 marks in co. Worc. to provide 40 light horsemen and 200 archers, and were app. 24 June 1335 to assess and levy 100 marks in co. Worc. for relief from 40 hobelers and 40 archers requisitioned from the said county for service against the Scots.

1328. July. Return lost.

1328. Oct. Peter de Greote, or de Grete.

Richard Bertram.

1330. March. John de Stone.

Edmund de Dunclent.

This family took their name from the Manor of Dunclent so early as 1210, and held it from the Beauchamps. Edmund de Dunclent was app. Collector of the royal subsidies in co. Worc. 1351, and presented to the parsonage of Churchill 16 March 1361. (Records of the Tower).

1330. Nov. Henry de Hambury. Richard Braas.

Henry de Hambury was son of Geoffrey de H. (and perhaps brother to Philip de Hambury who was M.P. Scarborough 1330). The family was of Hanbury from the 12th century. Lord Sudeley and Lord Bateman now represent this ancient house. Commission of oyer and terminer to Richard de Harle and another 26 June 1311 on complaint by John de Borewalle that Henry son of Geoffrey de Hambury, with others, assaulted him at Hyndelepe. Commissions of oyer, &c., issued to Henry de Hambury and others in co. Stafford 22 Oct. 1327, and in co. Worc. 26 Feb. 1328, and 8 May 1329, and many others in various counties, to inquire into certain disputes. Appointment 8 Dec. 1336 of Wm. de Bello Campo, Wm. le Blount 'le uncle,' John Golape, Sheriff of Worcester (see 1337), and Henry de Hambury, to arrest John de Rudyng, his two brothers and two sons, who had many times broken the park of Queen Phillipa at Fekenham, hunted in that park and in her forest there, fished her stews, carried away deer and fish, and assaulted

her men and servants. Henry de Hambury was app. Chief Justice for the Pleas following the King's Justiciary in Ireland, during pleasure, 18 March 1327, and d. about 1353. Richard Bracy was probably 2nd son of the M.P. 1301. Grant 28 April 1335 to the Bailiffs and good men of the town of Wich of pavage for 3 years to be taken by Thomas Cassy (see 1351), Robert Aleyn, and Richard Braz the elder.

1331. William le Blound. Richard de Haukeslowe.

Sir William le Blount, of Sodington, eldest son of Sir Walter by the heiress of Sodington (see Evesham, 1395) had a charter of warren in Hampton Lovet 1328. He m. Margery, dau. and co-heir of Lord Verdun, but d.s.p. leaving his estates to his brother John. On 11 Feb. 1328, he obtained a grant of the Manor of Stoke upon Tirne, and rents and profits in Lodelawe (Ludlow), late of Theobald de Verdon deceased, to hold until partition be made of the inheritance among the persons entitled thereto. Simple protection 12 Sept. 1329, until Xmas, for Sir Wm. le Blount going with Henry, Earl of Lancaster, beyond seas. Pardon, with assent of Parliament, 14 Dec. 1330, to Wm. le Blount, of a recognisance in £500 wherein he became bound in the Chancery by order of the Council, on submitting himself to the King's will after the rebellion at Bedford. He was made a Commr. of the Peace for co. Stafford, 16 Feb. 1331. On 16 July 1334, Wm. le Blount staying in England had letters nominating Wm. de Purton and Henry de Lodegersale his attorneys in Ireland for one year. Appointment 12 Aug. 1336, of Wm. le Blount, Hugh de Cokeseye (see 1337), and others, pursuant to the ordinance of the last Parl. at Westminster for arrest of suspected persons, to follow and arrest Baldwyne de Frevill (see 1340), John le Belyetere (see Worcester, 1334), and other persons notoriously suspected, and bring them to the Tower of London. This commission was supplemented by a fresh one 26 Aug. 1336, which ordered them to arrest (in addition) Richard de Estham (see 1341), John de Dene, and Thomas his brother (see Worcester, 1318), notoriously suspected of felony, and to take them to the gaol of Worcester, and then to the Tower of London. Appointment 15 March 1337, of Wm. de Chiltenham for certain causes in place of John de Lee to act with Wm. le Blount "le uncle," and Hugh de Cokeseye lately (16 Oct. 1336), app. to arrest and try all persons openly suspected of breaches of the peace in co. Worc. Wm. le Blount and Hugh de Cokeseye were app. Commrs. of array in co. Worc. 26 Jan. 1335.

1332. March. Richard de Haukeslowe. William de Bradwell.

1332. Sept. Robert Somery. John le Rous.

Sir John le Rous was M.P. co. Worc. 1332, co. Glouc. (as Knt.) 1315, and co. Hereford 1330, 1336, 1337, 1340, 1343, and was the son

of Sir Roger le Rous (see Williams' Herefordshire Members). He was made Knt. of the Bath 20 Jan. 1327 and was app. a Commr. of the Peace for co. Hereford 18 May 1329. Commission of oyer and terminer issued to certain Justices 21 Nov. 1327 on complaint of Nicholas de Lavynton, that John le Rous and others had carried away his goods at Caumpedene, co. Gloucester; and numerous other similar charges were brought against him. He had Protection with clause nolumus for one year 18 Oct. 1328. He was father of Sir Baldwin Rous of Ragley, co. Warwick. It is somewhat doubtful, however, whether all these particulars relate to the same person.

1332. Dec. William de Bradewell.

Peter de Grete.

1334. Feb. Peter de Grete. John de la More.

The latter was M.P. 1334, 1335, and probably one of the Moores of Alvechurch, a family said by Nash to have flourished there from the time of Edw. I.

1334. Sept. Peter de Grete.

John de Stone.

1335. Peter de Greote.

John de la More.

1336. Mar. John le Bruyn. John Aleyn.

John le Bruyn (possibly the same as the M.P. 1319) was M.P. 1336, 1343, 1344, 1348. John Aleyn was perhaps the same as, or the father of, the M.P. 1371.

1336. Sept. Walter de Newynton.
Peter de Greote, or atte Greote.

Exemption for life 18 July 1331 of Walter de Newynton from being put on assizes, juries or recognisances, unless his oath be necessary under the statute, and from appointment as mayor, escheator, sheriff, coroner, or other bailiff or minister of the King, against his will. He was M.P. 1336, 1340.

1337. Jan. John Golafre. William Dabecot.

John Golafre, of Golafers in Nafford, was M.P. co. Worc. 1337, 1338, co. Gloucester 1337, and co. Oxford 1334, 1340, and received commissions of oyer and terminer 24 May 1337, and 10 Sept. 1338. He and others were app. 21 March 1332 Keepers of co. Oxford to arrest all disturbers of the peace therein and to hear and determine the trespasses whereof they were indicted. Probably son of Thomas Golafre who was M.P. for Northampton 1313, and co. Oxford 1315. Margaret dau. and

heir of Sir John Golafre m. John Hodington (see 1395). William d'Abetot was lord of the manor of Rydmerley, and presented to its Church 11 non. Oct. 1305, 6 kal. April 1306, 18 kal. May 1319, and kal. Nov. 1320. He witnessed the charter of a Chantry given to Ripple by John Salemon 1320.

1337. Sept. William Corbet. John de Stone.

By Writ dated at Westminster 18 Aug. 1337, William Corbet de Chaddesle, John Sapy, and Hugh de Cokeseye were summoned to attend this Parl., but they were not actually Members thereof. The three of them were app. Commrs. to keep the peace in co. Worc. during the absence of Edward III. at Antwerp, 1338.

Sir Wm. Corbet presented to Chaddeslev 17 Oct. 1317, and had lands in that parish 1346, and a warren there in 1305. Early in the century Edw. II. gave the custody of all Castles in co. Worc. to Wm. de Beauchamp, Wm. de Bradewell (see 1322), Alex. de Besseford (see 1313), and Wm. Corbet. He was M.P. co. Worc. 1337, 1340, and son of Roger C., of Chaddesley, who d. 1289. His family seems to have terminated in co-heiresses temp. Hen. VII. Pardon 19 Sept. 1330, to Hugh de Cokeseye for acquiring in fee from John Biset a messuage, 10 acres of meadow, a moiety of a virgate of land, and a rent, and the services of John Smalbrok, a bondman within the Manor of Kydeaminstre, held in chief, and entering thereon without licence; and licence for him to retain the same. He had exemption for life from assizes, &c., 2 Oct. 1329, and received with John de Stone (see 1320), a commission of oyer and terminer 2 Nov. 1337. Hugh Cockesey, Thomas Slaughtre (see 1339), and others, as executors of Ade le Herwinton, presented to Pershore Chauntrie about 1346. Cockseye, whose wife's name was Dionysia, eldest dau. of Wm. le Boteler, Baron of Wem, Salop, and co-heir to her brother Edmund, and who was the son and heir of Sir Walter Cockseye (who was Sub-sheriff 1327, and presented to Witley Jan. 1287, and 19 April 1328), presented to Witley 5 July 1349, 10 Oct. 1350, and 1 Dec. 1351; to Kington 24 July 1344; and to St. Mary's, Kidderminster 22 Nov. 1349, and 13 Oct. 1350. He was buried at Kidderminster 1356, the inq. p.m. 1356 shewing that he held one messuage, half a yard-land, and 10 acres of meadow in the Manor of Kidderminster. He left a son and heir, Walter (see 1378).

> 1338. Feb. Peter de Grete. John Golafre.

1338. July. John Golafre. Peter de Greote.

By Writ of Summons dated at Ipswich, 16 July 1338, the Sheriff of co. Worc. was directed to send four merchants to this Parl.

from his bailiwick, and Galfridus le Spencer, Simon Gros, John son of Richard le Clerk, and John de Guytyng were accordingly returned. They, of course, were not strictly speaking Members of Parliament, but were merely summoned to advise with the King upon special matters in Parliament. Geoffrey de Spencer, of Upton, had pardon 27 Dec. 1327, of £329 6s. 8d. for a trespass, &c., and on 12 June 1333, was granted exemption for life from assizes, &c. Simon Gros, M.P. Worcester City 1340, 1348, 1351, was one of those app. 26 July 1337, to buy for the King's use 400 sacks of grain at 9½ marks a sack in co, Worc.

1339. Jan. John de Sapy. John de Ston'.

Sir John Sapy, who came of a knightly family that took the name from Sapy on Teme, held in 1346 seven hides of land in Rydmarley D'Abitot, and two and a half hides in Pendoc, (which Geoffrey D'Abitot formerly held). He was lord of Redmarleye, presented to Pendoc 15 June 1328, and to Rydmerley about 1358, and 21 Oct. 1361, and on 3 June 1333 had exemption for life from being put on assize juries or recognisances, unless his oath should be necessary under the statute, and from appointment as mayor, escheator, sheriff, coroner, or other bailiff or minister of the King, against his will. It is somewhat doubtful whether he was the M.P. in 1377, or his father. The Sapeys held lands in Sapey till Henry VI., when the line ended with Isolda dau. and heir of Thomas de Sapie, who m. Sir Roger Pichard.

1339. Oct. Walter de Shekenhurst, junior. Thomas de Sleughtre.

Walter de Shekenhurst of Sheykenhurst in Bayton was M.P. co. Worc. 1339, 1351, 1354, 1360, Sub-Sheriff 1339 (the Beauchamps at this time being hereditary Sheriffs), and in 1359 was commissioned with John de Herley and others to send 30 mounted archers to France. On 24 June 1335 he and two others were app. Commrs. to assess and levy 200 marks in co. Glouc, (Gloucester and Bristol cities excepted) for relief from 100 hobelers and 200 archers requisitioned from the said county for service against the Scots.

John de Harleye (see 1353), Thomas de Littleton (son of the M.P. 1316), Thomas de Stoghtree, and Edmund de Brugge were app. Commrs. of Array in co. Worc. 1359. Thomas de Sloughtre was M.P. 1339, 1343, 1346. The family of Slaughter was seated in co. Gloucester from early times, and acquired lands in co. Worc. in the 17th century.

1340. Jan. William Corbet. Robert de Bracy.

The latter was seemingly son or nephew of the M.P. 1330, and grandson of the M.P. 1301. He was M.P. co. Worc. 1340, 1357, 1358, 1361 (as Knt.), 1365, 1366, and presented to Warmedon 23 Jan.

1339. The Lygons afterwards become possessed of the lands in Madresfield anciently held by the Bracys. Robert de Bracy and John de Hall (see 1340) were commissioned in 1338 to take 80 archers from Norwich to Portsmouth and from the county and city of Worcester.

1340. March. Baldewin de Frivill. John de Hull.

Sir Baldwin de Frivill of Tamworth Castle was son of Alexander de Freville by Joan 2nd dau. and co-heir of Sir Philip Marmion, Champion of England, and died 1343, 17 Edw. II. His line ended in the reign of Henry V. in 3 co-heiresses, through the eldest of whom Tamworth Castle passed to Sir Thomas Ferrers.

John de Hull may have been the same as John fuitz Nichol de Hull, M.P. co. Glouc. 1341. He sat for co. Worc. 1340, 1341, 1348.

1340. July. John de Lee. Walter de Newynton.

John du Lee (or de la Lee), miles, of Norden, Salop, sat for Salop 1327, and was son and heir of Reginald de Lee. He m. Matilda dau. of Henry de Erdington. His son of the same name was living in 1359. Ancestor of the Lees of Langley, Baronets. Commission of oyer and terminer to John de Lee 4 Feb. 1335, touching all felonies, robberies, and trespasses, and all oppressions by the King's ministers and their clerks in co. Derby.

1341. John de Hull. Richard de Estham.

Order 18 Aug. 1337 for Richard, son of Roger de Estham, and William Rokolf (see Worcester 1322) to be arrested as suspected persons, by Roger Corbet of Caus, knight, and Stephen de Buterley, King's sergeant-at-arms, and to be delivered to the custody of the Constable of the Tower.

1342. Richard de Hawkeslowe. John de Stone.

These names are taken from Nash's Worcestershire, the Return being lost.

1343. John le Bruyn.
Thomas de Sloughtre.

1344. Robert atte Wode. John le Bruyn.

1346. Thomas de Sloughtre. William de Norton.

The latter was M.P. Worcester, 1330, 1338, and co. Worcester 1346, 1348, and seems to have been app. a Justice of the King's Bench

12 Oct. 1356. Perhaps son of John de Norton who was Attorney-General 1312-15.

1348. Jan. John de Hull. John de Bruyn.

1348. March. John de Lokyngton. William de Norton.

The former was M.P. 1348, 1357. Commission of oyer and terminer issued to Justices 1 April 1335, because John de Lokyngton and others had entered Ralph Daubeneye's free warren at Saxelby, co. Lincoln, hunted there, mowed the grass, carried away the grass hares and rabbits, and assaulted his men and servants. Whether he was the John de Loketon app. a Justice of the King's Bench 25 Oct. 1388 is doubtful.

1351. Walter de Shekenhurst. Thomas Cassy.

The enrolment of the Writ de Expensis gives Edmund de Brugge (who was probably returned before the meeting of Parl.) instead of Cassy. Thomas Cassy of Wych, was lord of the manor of Haddesore, and presented to St. Mary Witton in Aug. 1349, and to Hadsor 12 June 1349. On 12 March 1337 Wm. Tracy and Thomas Cassy of Wych were app. to arrest and imprison in Worcester Castle, Gilbert de Northwyk, chaplain, and Walter Devoten of Blokley, clerk, as suspected persons. Thomas Cassey's line ended in the next century with Thomas who m. Cecily eldest sister and co-heir of Hugh Cooksey (see 1442), and had two daughters and co-heirs, through the elder of whom the representation of this family eventually centred in the Russels of Strensham.

Sir Edmund de Brugge, of Over-letton, co. Hereford, son of Walter Brugge, was born about 1318, m. (1) Joanna dau. of Thomas Pichard, who d. 1352, when he had his lands, and (2) the dau. of De la Hay of Irchenfield. He had lands in Standune, Pyon Regis, and Wormesly, presented to Standun 1579 (all in co. Hereford), was M.P. co. Worc. 1351, and 1373, co. Hereford 1377, and died 1386. He was granted exemption from serving on juries and in offices, against his will, 2 May 1380, and was made a Commr. of the Peace in co. Hereford 20 June 1380.

1352. Jan. John de Beauchamp. John de Harley.

Sir John de Beauchamp of Holt, son of Richard B. of Holt, a younger branch of the Beauchamps of Elmley, was aged 8 when he succeeded his father in 1327, and was a favourite of Richard II. He served in the French wars, was an Esquire of the King's chamber, received Knighthood in Scotland, was Justice of North Wales, and was

M.P. co. Worc. 1352, 1355, 1377, 1380. He was created Baron Beauchamp of Kiddermimster by patent 10 Oct. 1387, being the first dignity conferred by patent in England but was attainted and beheaded on Tower Hill for high treason a few months afterwards. He was buried in Worcester Cathedral 1388. Sir John m. Joane dau, and heir of Robert le Fitzwith, and in 1385 and 1386 became possessed of Sir Walter Romsey's Estate in Kidderminster. He was Captain of Calais in 1348 and again app. so I Jan. and 13 July 1349. He was appointed Admiral of the Fleet for protecting the passage to Calais 17 Aug. 1349. On 4 Dec. 1351 the King promises that John de Beauchamp, prisoner in France about to be released to obtain his ransome shall not be prevented from returning to prison. (Rymer's Fædera). Inspeximus and confirmation 4 March 1378, in favour of John de Beauchamp, the late King's esquire retained, of letters patent dated 12 Aug. 40, Edw. III. (1375), being a grant to him for life of £20 yearly out of the farm of the city of Worcester. Commission 20 June 1378 to John Beauchamp, Edmund de Brugge (see 1351), and Richard Rugbale junior (see 1397), to enquire touching divers trespasses committed in co. Worc. Exemption 18 Feb. 1379 for life of John de Beauchamp, King's Esquire, for being put on assizes, juries, attaints, recognisances, or inquisitions, and from being made a Knight, mayor, sheriff, escheator, coroner, justice of assizes, of the peace, of labourers, or other justice, steward, constable, collector of tenths, fifteenths, or subsidies, arrayer, leader or trier of men at arms, hobelers, archers, or other officer, bailiff, or minister of the King against his will. (Patent Rolls). He was made a Commr. of Array for co. Worc. 1 July 1377 and 20 March 1380, and a Commr. of the Peace 2 July 1377 and 26 May 1380. He was Steward of the Household to Richard II. 1387 till just before his execution. On 7 Aug. 1386 the King granted to Sir John and his wife free chace as well in vert and venison as in all matter of other things which appertain to such a free chace within the manor demesne and fee of Kedermestre, and infangthief and outfangthief and the chattels of felons and fugitives, &c., and let all his tenants and residents therein be quit of toll, passage and murage throughout the whole of our realm, &c.

The Sheriff of co. Worc. and John de Harle were ordered in 1366 to send 50 archers to the succour of Edward Prince of Wales (the Black Prince) at Bordeaux. John de Harleye was made a Commr. of Array in co. Worc. 1359, H.S. 1366, sat for co. Worc. 1352, 1366, 1369, and for co. Warwick 1360. He was seemingly a younger son of Sir Richard Harley, of Salop.

1352. Aug., (One Member). Sir Gilbert Chasteleyn, Knt.

On 3 June 1346 Protection for Gilbert Chastellein going abroad in the retinue of Thomas Beauchamp, Earl of Warwick. (Rymer's Fædera). Commission of oyer, &c., 8 July 1336 on complaint, by Richard son of Ralph de Nowers, that Ralph Chastiloun, Gilbert and

Roger his sons, and several others, at Churchehull, assaulted him, carried away his goods, and assaulted his men and servants. Appointment 20 Aug. 1336 of John de Broughton and Gilbert de Chasteleyn to take Roger de Nowers, knight, Richard and Roger his sons, and other suspected persons and imprison them in the Tower of London. On 15 Mar. 1380 grant in fee simple to Wm. de Wyndesore who had married Alice de Perrers, of the manor of Keyngham, and other lands rents and services in Keyngham, late of Gilbert Chastelyn, knight.

- 1353. (One Member). Gilbert Chasteleyn.
- 1355. Gilbert de Chasteleyn. Walter de Shakenhurst.
- 1355. John de Beauchamp. John Musard.

The Musards were a very great family. Malcolm Musard was lord of Morton in 1306. Sir John Musard m. Katherine Thromwin, perhaps dau. of Wm. Trumwyn M.P. co. Stafford 1316, and widow of John Washborn (probably son of the M.P. 1311). His dau. Joan m. John Washborne (see 1403). On 2 July 1356 commission to John Musard, King's valet, to select 120 archers for the King's body-guard. (Rymer). He was M.P. co. Worc. 1355, and as John Musard, 'chivaler' (a higher honour than 'miles') sat for co. Stafford 1361.

- 1357. Robert de Bracy. John de Lokynton.
- 1358. Robert Bracy. William le Spenser.

The latter was probably a younger son of William le Despencer of Defford, co. Worc. (who d. 1328), and brother to John le Spencer of Defford, ancestor of Earl Spencer and Dukes of Marlborough.

1360. Walter de Shakenhurst.Roger de Brugge.

The latter was evidently closely related to the M.P. 1351, brother or son probably.

- 1361. Sir Robert Bracy, Knt. Roger de Brugg.
- 1362. Leo de Perton. Edward de Keyrdef.

Leo or Lionel de Perton (perhaps brother to Sir John de Perton who was M.P. co. Stafford 1360), Edmund de Brugge (see 1351), Wm. Tracy, and Thomas de Hull witnessed a presentation to the Chantry of St. Mary of Trympley, 1370.

Edward de Keyrdeff, or Kerdiffe, aged 30 in 1350, 2nd son of Wm. de K. of Bristol, whose inquisition post mortem was held 1329,

succ. his brother William in 1331, m. Joanna —— (who re-m. to Henry Grendour), was M.P. co. Gloucester 1352, and died seised of Queenhull in Ripple in 1370.

1363. Thomas Foliot. Reginald de Hanbury.

"The Folliotts were the most ancient family in this County," (Nash) and date at least as early as Henry I. Gilbert Foliot who was Bishop of Hereford 1149, and of London 1161, was probably of the same family. Thomas Foliot, who had lands in Stone 1346, was son of Roger F. by Margaret dau. of Wm. le Blount, and m. Fliz. dau. of Wm. Stone. Their seat was at Morton Folliott, but they acquired lands at Perton temp. Edw. III. The Lords Folliott (Ireland) 1619-1716 descended from this family. Robert Folgot or Foliot was Sub-Sheriff of co. Worc. 1451.

Reginald Hanbury was son of the M.P. 1330, and sat for co. Worc. 1363, 1383.

1365. Robert Bracy Robert Russell.

Robert Russell (son of Nicholas R.) was lord of the manor of Strensham, and presented to the living 29 Nov. 1361, and to Pibleton 12 Feb. 1363, and 20 Oct. 1376. He m. Catherine dau. of John Vampage. On 12 Aug. 1377 nomination as a crown right after coronation, and mandate for admission, of Elizabeth dau. of Robert Russell, as a nun of the abbey of Godestowe.

1366. Robert Bracy. John de Harleye.

1368. Roger Corbet. Henry Bruyn.

Henry Bruyn, probably son of the M.P. 1336 was M.P. co. Worc. 1368, 1383, 1385, 1386, 1391, 1404, and Escheator 1369. In 1374 Henry de Arderne (see 1381), John atte Wood (see 1372), Henry de Bruyn and others were app. Commrs. for co. Worc. for the array of men at arms, hobbelars and bowmen for defence of the kingdom. He was again made a Commr. of array for co. Worc. 1 July 1377, and 20 March 1280, and a Commr. of the Peace 2 July 1377 and 26 May 1380. On 13 April 1380 he was granted exemption for life from being put on assizes or into offices, &c. against his will.

Roger Corbet, son of the M.P. 1337, was M.P. co. Worc. 1368, and Salop (as chivaler) 1383, 1391.

John de Harleye. Nicholas Morhall. 1371. Feb. Richard Fyton. John Aleyn (see 1336).

Sir Richard Fyton, Knt. was Escheator of co. Worc. 1369, M.P. 1371, 1372, 1376, 1377, 1382, and made a Commr. of the Peace 22 Feb. 1379. Protection for Sir R. Fyton and four others in the retinue of Waller Huwet in Brittany 12 April 1364.

Pardon 18 Nov. 1379 to Philip atte Grove of Haggeley for felony in entering with others the house of John Aleyn atte Wiche at Astwood, co. Worc. on Sunday before Michaelmas 1378 and taking away silver vessels and other goods.

- 1371. June, (One Member) Richard Fyton.
- 1372. John atte Wode, chivaler. Richard Fyton, chivaler.

Sir John atte Wode, or Attwood, son of the M.P. 1327, presented to St. Mary, Kidderminster, 10 Feb. 1381 and 7 Feb. 1385, and was M.P. 1372, 1373, 1376, 1380. He and the Archdeacon of Winchester were empowered to treat with Wenceslaus Duke of Brabant 18 May 1570. (Rymer's Foedera). He and Walter Kokeseye (see 1378) were made Commrs. of the Peace for co. Worc. 2 July 1377, 22 Feb. 1379, and 26 May 1380, and Commrs. of Array there 1 July 1377 and 20 March Commission 14 May 1378 to John atte Wood and Thomas de Brugge, escheator in co. Worc., to enquire whether John Sapy (see 1377), to whom the late King committed the custody of the lands in that county late of John Snede, tenant in chief, committed waste and estrep ment therein. Grant for life 20 Nov. 1377 to Wm. de Bello Campo of Feckenham Manor with the custody of the forest and park there at the farm of £37 14s. 4½d. as John atte Wode, Knt. (who had a grant of it 24 May 1365) has surrendered it. On 1 Feb. 1378 Inspeximus and confirmation of letters patent dated 18 Oct. 1351 being a grant for life to John atte Wode of the custody of the hundreds of Kistegate and Geyston, co. Gloucester free of rent. On 25 Oct. 1379 inspeximus and confirmation in favour of John atte Wode, Yeoman of the late King (Edw. III.) whom the King (Richard II.) has retained, of letters patent dated 8 Dec. 1373, being a grant to him for life of £37 14s. 4\flactdd. a year from the issues of the manor and forest of Fekenham in lieu of previous grants surrendered. He obtained exemption for life from serving on juries and in offices, &c., against his will, 3 Feb. 1380. His wife's name was Alice.

- John atte Wode. Edmund de Brugge.
- John atte Wode, chivaler. Richard Fyton, chivaler,

1377. Jan. John de Sapy, chivaler. John Beauchamp.

Sir John de Sapy who was M.P. 1377, 1381, 1382, 1385, was probably the son of the M.P. 1339.

1377. Oct. Richard Fyton, chivaler. John Beauchamp.

1378. Walter Cokesey, chivaler. John Russell, miles.

Sir Walter Cokeseye of Cokeseye in Upton Warin (under age in 1357) was son and heir of the M.P. 1337, had livery of his inheritance 1365, was a Knight in 1375, when he m. Isabel or Maud dau. and heir of Sir Urian St. Pierre presented to Witley 14 Dec. 1386 and 29 July 1392, was M.P. 1378, 1384, and died 1405, seised of lands named Partleys or Perchers, and of the manor of Caldwell. He was buried at Kidderminster. On 17 Dec. 1404 Sir Walter Cokesey, Sir John Beauchamp of Holt (see 1401), Richard Ruyhall (see 1397), Henry Bruine (see 1368), and Thomas Throgmorton (see 1402), witnessed a grant by John Poer of his right in the manor of Batenhale to the Priory of Worcester.

Sir John Russell, lord of the manor of Strensham, son and heir of Robert R. (see 1365), m. Agnes Planches, was Master of the Horse to Richard II., M.P. co. Worc. 1378, 1379, 1398, 1401, presented to Strensham 20 Oct. 1376, 20 July 1388, 10 June 1394, 19 Feb. 1402, and to Pibleton 13 Feb. 1401, and died near Letheringham, Suffolk, 31 Jan. 1405. On 10 March 1378 grant to John Russell, King's servant, of the custody of lands in Sussex during the minority of the heir, of the yearly value of 66s. 8d.

1379. John Russell. William Wasteneys.

Sir William Wasteneys was son of Sir William (who was living 1336). His line fell with his grand-dau., but a younger branch continued from whom derived the Baronets of Headon, Notts (1622 to 1742, when the title expired). Inspeximus and confirmation in favour of William Wasteneys, of letters patent 28 Feb. 1377, inspecting and confirming an indenture dated Carnarvon 5 Oct. 1371 whereby the King's father granted him for life \pounds 40 yearly at his Exchequer of Carnarvon on condition of his serving the Prince of Wales with one esquire in time of war without other fee. Cancelled and surrendered because the King granted him for life \pounds 30 yearly from the fee farm of Worcester City, and \pounds 10 from the issues of the county of Worcester, 1 July 1389.

I 380. Jan. John atte Wode, chivaler.John Beauchamp, de Holt.

1380. Nov. John atte Wode. John Beauchamp.

1381. Henry de Arderne, chivaler. John de Sapy, chivaler.

Sir Henry de Arderne was M.P. co. Warwick 1380, co. Worc. 1381, made a Commr. of the Peace for co. Warwick 2 July 1377 and 26 May 1380. a Commr. of oyer and terminer there 12 Nov. 1377, and received exemption for life from serving on juries and in offices against his will 13 Feb. 1380. He was son of Ralph de Arderne of Cardworth, co. Warwick, by Isabel de Bromwich, was knighted 1375, and seated at Park Hall, co. Warwick, where his descendants long continued.

1382. May. Richard Fyton, chivaler. John de Sapy, chivaler.

1382. Oct. John de Sapy, chivaler. Alexander de Refford.

The latter was Alexander de Besford, probably grandson of the M.P. 1313 (Alexander de Besford or Befford). He was again M.P. 1388, 1391, 1395. His dau. and heir Margaret m. John Dikleston (who died 1423), and his dau and heir m. Wm. Harewell. Alex. Besford, Henry Bruyn (see 1368), Richard Thurgrym (see 1394), and John Hambury were witnesses to the marriage of Wm. Golafre and Margaret de la Barewe 1391.

1383. Feb. Ralph Stafford. Reginald Hambury.

Sir Ralph Stafford of Grafton jure uxoris 1375, was 2nd son of Sir John de S. (a branch of the Baronial House of Stafford), and m. Maud, eldest dau. and co-heir of Sir John de Hastang of Grafton. He was M.P. co. Worc. 1383, 1384, 1401, and Salop 1403.

1383. Oct. Nicholas Lyllyng, chivaler. Henry Bruyn.

Sir Nicholas Lyllyng of co. Northants was granted exemption from being obliged to serve on juries or in offices 7 April 1380, and sat for co. Northants, 1381, 1382, 1391, co. Worc. 1383, 1386, 1388, 1390, 1393

1384. April. John Herle, chivaler. Ralph de Stafford.

Sir John Herle was M.P. Salop 1378, 1379, Oxfordshire 1380, 1381, 1382, co. Worc. 1384. Commission 20 Oct. 1366 to John Herle and others to provide ships for the passage of John Duke of Lancaster

to Gascony. On 11 May 1402 the King ordered Sir John Herle and others to contradict the reports that the King did not intend to keep his promise to observe the laws and to prevent the circulation of such a report. (Rymer).

1384. Nov. Walter Cokesey, chivaler. John Herle, chivaler.

John de Sapy, chivaler. Henry Bruyn.

1386. Nicholas Lyllyng, chivaler. Henry Bruyn.

1388. Feb. Nicholas Lyllyng, chivaler. Hugh Cheyne, chivaler.

Sir Hugh Cheyne held lands in Westmancote, and was M.P. Salop 1378, 1379, Sept. 1388, 1391, 1401, Wilts 1383, 1385, co. Worc. Feb. 1388, 1390. Commission 10 May 1370 to Sir Hugh Cheyne and others to arrest ships from Weymouth to Moushole, and bring them to Dartmouth. (Rymer). Inspeximus and confirmation 6 May 1378 in favour of Hugh Cheyne, Yeoman of the late King, retained, of (1) letters patent dated 25 Nov. 1372 being an exemplification of others dated 1 Sept. 1358 being a grant to him for life of 10 marks, yearly at the Exchequer; and (2) letters patent dated 27 Dec. 1365 being a like grant to him, then the King's esquire, of the custody of Shrewsbury Castle. Confirmed by the Great Council, with this addition that he have 71/2d. daily for the custody. (Patent Rolls). The earlier branches of this influential family are very difficult to discover. It seems to have ended in the next century by the marriage of Anne dau. of Sir John Cheyney of Westmancote with Thomas Rous of Rouse Lench.

1388. Sept. Nicholas Lyllyng, chivaler. Alexander de Besford (see 1382).

1390. Jan. Nicholas Lyllyng, chivaler. Hugh Cheyne, chivaler.

1390. Nov. Nicholas Lyllyng. Hugh Cheyne.

Alexander Besseforde. Henry Bruyn.

Nicholas Lyllyng. William Spernore.

The latter sat for co. Warwick 1384, 1395, and co. Worc. 1393, 1394, 1397, 1399.

1394. William de Spernore. Richard Thurgrym.

Three members of the Thurgrym family sat for Hereford. (See Williams' Herefordshire Members). 12 Dec. 1377 Pardon, on payment of half a mark by Richard Thurgrym, to whom Henry Bishop of Worcester granted for life at the yearly rent of 6s. 8d., a messuage, 70 acres of land, 3 acres of meadow, and 12s. rent in Wyke Episcopi, and who after the Prior and Chapter of Worcester had ratified and confirmed the said grant, entered on the premises without obtaining the King's licence, of the said trespasses, and licence for him to retain the premises according to the form of the grant. (Patent Rolls). Richard Thurgrym was of Batsford, co. Glouc., and Dormston, co. Worc. The family failed in the next century with Henry T., whose dau. and heir Joan m. Thomas Hodington (see 1406), and was afterwards represented by the Russells of Strensham.

1395. Alexander de Besford. Robert Russell.

Son of Wm. Russell of Strensham, by Agnes dau. and co-heir of Thomas Hodington, and grandson of Sir John R. (see 1378). He m. Eliz. dau. of John Throckmorton (and probably sister to the M.P. 1402), was Escheator of co. Worc. 1398, Sub-Sheriff 1399, M.P. 1395.

1397. William Spernore. Richard Ruyhale.

Richard de Ryhale was M.P. co. Worc. 1397, 1427, and Escheator 1375, and again (as Richard Rihale senior) 1379. He was seemingly grandson of Richard de Ruyhale, lord of Morton Brut, who presented to Birts Morton 15 kal. April 1300, 5 id. April 1305, 7 kal. Nov. 1325, and probably himself presented to that living 3 Jan. 1361. Birts Morton was acquired by John Ruyhall through his marriage with the dau. of Walter Brute. According to Nash the family failed before Hen. VI., when the Harewells were found heirs to John Ruyhall of Pershore. The manor of Birts Morton afterwards passed to the Nanfans (see 1656).

- 1398. John Russell, chivaler (1378). Richard Ruyhale.
- 1399. John Blount. William Spernore.

In 1345 Thomas de Hugford, parson of Hampton Lovet conveyed the manor to Sir John la Blount and Eliz. his wife. His 2nd son Sir John Blount of Sodington was M.P. co. Worc. 1399, and Escheator 1402, and presented to Hampton Lovet 27 Feb. 1415. His brother was the heroic Sir Walter Blount immortalised by Shakespeare.

1401. John Beauchamp, chivaler. Ralph Stafford.

Sir John Beauchamp of Holt was M.P. co. Worc. 1401, 1404, 1414 and Escheator 1406. He was only son of the M.P. 1352, was aged 10 in 1388, attended Richard II. to Ireland 1399, and was summoned to the House of Lords as 2nd Baron Beauchamp of Kidderminster by the reversal of his father's attainder 1398, but this reversal was itself repealed by Henry IV. 1400. He died s.p.m. 1420, when his line failed. His only dau. Margaret m. (1) John Pauncefort, and (2) John Wysham.

1402. Jan. Return lost. Nash's Worcestershire gives Thomas Throckmerton and John Bracy.

1402. Sept. Thomas Throckmerton. John Bras.

Thomas Throckmerton son of John T., m. 1591 Agnes or Anne dau. and heir of Sir Richard Aberbury or Adderbury of Oxon. He was one of the retinue of Beauchamp Earl of Warwick, and M.P. co Worc. 1402, Escheator 1401, Constable of Elmley Castle 1404. He was ancestor of the Knightly family of Throckmorton of Coughton, co. Warwick.

John Bracy, Brace, Bras, or Brass, of Wych, son of the M.P. 1358, was Escheator of co. Worc. 1397, 1403, 1408, 1426, 1431, J.P. 1428, Sub-Sheriff 1400, and M.P. co. Worc. 1402, 1415, 1419, Leominster 1417, 1421, 1425. He presented to Doverdale 14 Dec. 1386, and Feb. 1415, and held 2½ hides of land in Doverdale.

1403. John Blount, chivaler. John Wasseburn.

Sir John Washbourn of Little Washbourne in Overbury, grandson of the M.P. 1311, was Sub-Sheriff 1397, Escheator 1399, 1420, m. (1) Joan dau. of Sir John Musard (see 1355), and (2) Margaret dau. and co-heiress of John Poker, lord of Wichenford. His family resided at Wichenford until 1712, when William Washbourne the last male of the line sold that estate. He left a dau. and heir Elizabeth wife of Frances Morey, and ancestress of Money-Kyrle of Much Marcle, co. Hereford.

1404. John Beauchamp, chivaler. Henry Bruyn.

1406. Ralph Ardern. Thomas Hodyngton.

Ralph Ardern, son of the M.P., 1381, sat for co. Worc. 1406. His inq. p.m. was held 1420, when he left a widow Sibilla and his son and heir Robert aged 8. His family had Pedmore till 1643.

Thomas Hodyngton of Hoddington was Sub-Sheriff 1401, and M.P. 1406. He was son of Walter H. by Agnes dau. and heir of Thomas Cassey (see 1351), and m. Joane dau. and heir of Henry Thurgrim (see 1394).

1407. Oct. 19. William Beauchamp, chivaler. Richard Ruyhale.

Sir William Beauchamp of Powick, son of John de B., was M.P. 1407, 1413, 1414, 1416, Constable of Gloucester Castle 1382, Sheriff of co. Worcester 1402, and of co. Glouc. 1423. He m. Catherine dau. and co-heir of Sir Gerard de Ufflete, and died before 1438. He was father of the first Baron Beauchamp of Powick. Grant for life to Sir William B. of the custody of Feckenham Forest and Park 15 Nov. 1377. On 3rd April 1419 the King approved of the appointment by the Duke of Gloucester of Sir Wm. Beauchamp his Chamberlain, and John Stokes, to go as Ambassadors to negotiate a marriage with Blanche, Queen of Sicily, daughter of Charles King of Navarre. (Rymer's Foedera.)

1410. Jan. 1. Names torn off the Return.

1411 and Feb. 1413. Returns lost.

1413. April 19. William Beauchamp, chivaler. John Phelipp, chivaler.

Sir John Phelipp, Lord of Denington, Suffolk, m. (1) Juliana, who d. 1383, dau. of Sir Thomas Erpingham, and (3) Alice, dau. of Sir Thomas Chaucer, son of Sir Geoffrey Chaucer, the famous poet. She re-m. (2) Thomas Montacute, Earl of Salisbury, and (3) William de la Pole, Duke of Norfolk. He m. (2) in or before 1409 Maud Harmanville, widow of Walter Cokesey, of Kidderminster (who d. 1407, son of the M.P. 1378), as Sir John P., as Lord of Witley, presented to Witley in 1409. Sir John Phelipp was a valiant soldier under Henry V., and fought at the siege of Harfleur, and d. ten days afterwards, 2 Oct. 1415. He probably lived at Caldwell, and was buried in Kidderminster Church. He was a benefactor to Worcester Cathedral. Henry V. loved him as a friend and gave him the Manor of Michelhampton, co. Glos., the Lordship of Grovebury or Leighton Buzzard, Beds, and the Manors of Nedding and Ketchbarston, Suffolk. He was father of Sir Wm. Phelipp, K.G., said to have been created Lord Bardolph by Henry VI.

1414. Jan. William Beauchamp, de Powyck, chivaler.

John Beauchamp, de Holt, chivaler.

1414. Oct. 31. John Throkmarton. John atte Wode.

Sir John Throckmorton, son of the M.P. 1402, was decended from John de T. who was Lord of the Manor of Throckmorton about 60 years after the Conquest. He was a very eminent person in the reigns of Henry V. and Henry VI., and was Under Treasurer of England and Chamberlain of the Exchequer under the latter Kiug. He m. Eleanor, dau. and co-heir of Sir Guy de la Spineto, Lord of Coughton, co Warwick, sat for co. Worc. 1414, 1420, 1422, 1432, 1433, presented (with Thomas Hewster, see 1431) to Warmedon, I Dec. 1438, and d. 12 April 1445. His descendant was created a Baronet 1642. Final Concord of Richard Beauchamp, Earl of Warwick, with Thomas Longeley, Bishop of Durham, John Throkemorton, and John Barton, about the Manors of Ribbesford, Rook, Lyndon, 14 salt works, 37 bullaries, and the advowson of the Church of Ribbesford, I Hen. VI.

Sir John atte Wode, Atwode, or Wode, of Wolverley, son of the M.P. 1372, sat for co. Worc. 1414, 1421, 1423, 1429, 1433, 1435, for Worcester City 1413, 1415, and for Newcastle-under-Lyme 1425, 1427, 1431, 1432, 1433; was Escheator co. Worc. 1416, 1432, and presented to the Chantry of St. Mary of Trympley, Kidderminster, 3 Aug. 1450.

1415. Oct. 30. Humfry Stafford. John Bray.

Humphrey Stafford, of Grafton, elder son of Sir Humphrey S, who d. 1413, by Eliz. Cheyney, m. Eliz. dau. and eventually heir of Sir John Maltravers, of Hooke, Dorset, and had livery of her lands 1406, was M.P. co. Worc. 1415, 1423, 1426, and d. 1429. His eldest son Sir John m. Anne, dau. of Wm. Lord Botreaux, and d.v.p. leaving a son the M.P. 1447.

Nash correctly gives the other member as John Bracy, of Wych, who was the same as the M.P. 1402.

1416. March. William Russell. William Beauchamp.

No Return has been found, but Nash gives these names.

1416. Oct. Return lost.

1417. William Wollashull. John Morant.

Nash supplies these names. Wm. Wollashull, Wollashill, or Walshale, of Wollashull, was M.P. 1417, 1421, 1425, 1429, 1432, J.P. Escheator 1404, 1424, 1429, and presented to Birlingham 5 Oct. 1414.

1419. Sept. 27. Thomas Morant. John Braas (Bracy).

Thomas Moraunt M.P. 1419, son of John Moraunt (who was Escheator of co. Worc. 1395 and 1406-7, and on the authority of *Nash*, was also M.P. 1417).

- 1420. Nov. 20. John Throkmarton. John Weston.
- 1421. April 9. William Wolashull. John Wode (1414).
- 1421. Nov. 19. Walter Corbet. John Braas.
- 1422. Oct. 21. John Throkmarton. John Vampage.

Sir John Vampage of Pershore and Ruyhall in Ripple, son of John V. the Escheator 1397, by Eliz. Walker, was M.P. 1422, 1426, 1427, Escheator 1422, 1441, Sub-Sheriff 1428, 1443. He and others presented to Salwarp 12 Feb. 1443. He m. the only dau. and heir of Wm. Wollashull (see 1417), and was Attorney-General 28 October 1429 to June 1451.

- 1423. Sept. 22. Humfry Staffard. John Wode.
- 1425. April 4. William Wolasshull. John Braaz.
- 1426. Feb. 6. Humfry Staffard. John Vampage.
- 1427. Sept. 17. John Vampage.
 John Huband.

John Huband was M.P. 1427 and Escheator 1430. Probably a younger son of the Hubands of co. Warwick. A century later Anthony. 4th son of Nicholas Huband of Ipsley. co. Warwick, acquired the estate of Egioke, co. Worc., and founded a line; but there must have been a prior connection with the county.

- 1429. Sept. 14. William Wollashull. John Wode.
- 1431. Jan. 3. William Lichefeld, chivaler.
 Thomas Hewster.

Sir Wm. Lichfield was perhaps son of Thomas de Licchefeld of Worcester, (see that City, 1369). He bore the same arms as the Swynfens of Swynfen, co. Stafford. In 1313 Wm. de Lycheffeld and Richard de Lycchefeld were Members for Lichfield. In 1411 Wm. Lichfield alias Wm. Taverner, esq., granted certain lands to Thomas de Swynfen, which deed was sealed with the coat of Swynfen, but circumscribed—'Sig. Will. de Lichfield.' The last Abbot but one of Evesham was Clement Lichfield, buried in All Saints, Evesham, 9 Oct. 1546.

Thomas Hewster was M.P. 1431, and presented (with John Throckmorton, see 1414,) to Warmedon 1 Dec. 1438. Final Concord

of Thomas Heuster with Robert Nelme of Worcester 8 Hen. V., about 2 messuages, I carucate of land, 7 acres of meadow, and II marks of rent, in Leykhull, Nethermytton, and Kyderminster.

1432. March 26. John Throckmarton. William Wollashill.

1433. June 17. John Throkmarton. John Wode.

1435. Oct. 5. John Wode. Robert Russell.

Sir Robert Russell of Strensham son of the M.P. 1395, m. Johanna dau. of Sir Kynard Delabere, presented to Pibleton 20 March 1433, and to Strensham 21 Oct. 1434, was M.P. co. Worc. 1435, Escheator 1435, and perhaps the same as Robert Russell, merchant, M.P. Bristol, 1419, 1433, who with the Mayor and Sheriff of Bristol were ordered 5 Aug 1430 to "arrest all rebellious Friars Minors attending the approaching chapter general."

1436. Dec. 26. Walter Skolle. Thomas Rous.

Sir Walter Skull, a famous man of Holt, and descended from Sir John Skull to whom Bernard Newmarch assigned the manors of Bolgoed and Cray on the conquest of Breconshire about 1100, was M.P. co. Wor. 1436, 1442, 1447, 1453, and presented to Churchill 31 July 1442, 12 Nov. 1449, to Great Sheldersley 23 Sept. 1445, to the Chantry of St. Mary of Trympley, Kidderminster, 18 Dec. 1456, 31 March 1467, and to Holt 19 Aug. 1469, 25 Jan. 1472. He m. the dau. and co-heir of Sir John Beauchamp of Holt (see 1401), was Sub-Sheriff of co. Worc. 1464, 1470, 1479, and app. in 1471 Sheriff for eight years. His dau. and heir, Joice, or Joan, m. Sir Edward Croft of Croft Castle, co. Hereford. He and Thomas Throgmorton witnessed a grant of privileges by the Prior to the Corporation of Worcester 20 Jan. 1461. Commission to George Duke of Clarence, Richard Earl of Warwick, Sir W. Scull and 4 others to raise troops in co. Worc. against the rebels, 7 March 1470. (Rymer's Foedera),

Thomas Rous son of Henry Rous of Ragley (by Maude dau. of Sir John Throgmorton) and perhaps brother of John Rouse (who was Escheator 1434, 1435), was M.P. 1436, Escheator 1445, m. Anne dau. of Sir John Cheyney, and presented to Rouse Lench 17 Jan. 1448.

1439. Return lost.

1442. Jan. 17. Hugh Cokesey. Walter Skulle.

Only son of Walter Cokesey who d. 1410, and grandson of the M.P. 1337, sat for co. Worcester 1442, presented to Witley 10 Dec. 1443, and d. 1480.

1445. Return lost.

1447. Feb. 8. Humphrey Stafford. Walter Skull.

Sir Humphrey Stafford of Grafton, son of Sir Humphrey S. by Elizabeth dau. and heir of Sir John Burdet to whose estates he succ. 1429,m. Eleanor dau. and heir of Sir Thomas Aylesbury of Blatherwicke co. Northants, presented to Doverdale 27 Jan. 1448, and being sent with a small force to suppress Jack Cade's rebellion was defeated and slain in an action near Sevenoaks, Kent, 1451, and was buried at Bromsgrove.

1449. Feb. 5, Sir Humphrey Stafford (1447).
Thomas Throckmorton.

Sir John Throckmorton who d. 1445, (see 1414), had two sons (1) Sir Thomas of Coughton, co. Warwick, his heir; and (2) Thomas 'junior' (so styled in the Visitation of Warwickshire), who m. the dau. and heir of — Bridge. Which of these two was the M.P. is difficult to decide. If the elder then he m. Margaret dau. and heir of Robert Olney of Weston, Bucks, and was buried at Fladbury 1472.

1449. Oct. 15. Humphrey Stafford. Thomas Wynselawe.

Son of Sir Humphrey Stafford (see 1447), was M.P. 1449, 1450, 1453, app. Steward of the Duchy of Cornwall by Edw. IV. in 1461, but died s.p. the same year, when the Grafton estates devoted upon his cousin Sir Humphrey Stafford who was created Earl of Devon, but was killed 17 Aug. 1469.

1450. Oct. 14. Humphrey Stafford. John Throkmerton.

Probably a younger son of the M.P. 1414.

1453. Feb. 28. Sir Walter Scull. Humphrey Stafford.

1455. June 18. Humphrey Stafford. Fulke Stafford.

Fulke Stafford of Betecote in Old Swinford, was 3rd son of Sir Ralph de S. (see 1383), and uncle to the M.P. 1447. He was M.P. 1455, Sub Sheriff 1455, High Sheriff 1457.

1459. Return lost.

1460. Aug. John Stafford. Fulke Stafford.

Two Brothers. John Stafford was 2nd son of Sir Ralph (see 1383), and was ancester of the Staffords of Frome, co. Hereford.

1461, 1463. Returns lost.

1467. June 17. Sir Renfrid Arundell. Thomas Lygon.

Sir Renefred Arundel of Tremordrat, Cornwall was Sub-Sheriff 1463. He was eldest son of Sir Reinfry A., of Tremordrat (who was younger son of Sir John A. of Lanherne) by Joane widow of Sir Wm. Hungerford, and who afterwards m. John Nanfan. He died 6 June 1468.

Thomas Lygon of Madresfield, son of Wm. L., was Escheator (?1427), 1441, M.P. 1467, 1472, J.P. 5 December 1483, presented to Madersfield 8 April 1483, 28 June 1488, and m. Ann 2nd dau. and coheir of Sir Reginald Beauchamp, Lord Beauchamp of Powyck, with whom he had Beauchamp Court.

1470. Return lost.

1472. Sept. 16. Richard Hyde. Thomas Lygon.

Richard Hyde of Stoke Bliss, co. Hereford. His dau. and heir Agnes m. Thomas Hinkley of Worcester, whose eventual heiress m. a Pytts.

1477. Dec. 31. William Berkeley. John Acton.

Wm. Berkeley was probably of Stoke, Somerset, son of Sir Maurice B. of Stoke (who d. 1464). He was attainted 1485, but restored 1495, and d. 1501. In 1495 he petitioned to "adnulle the Act of Atteynder against him," and to have all his manors and property (forfeited by attainder for treason) restored to him.

John Acton of Acton, son of Walter (or William) A., sat for co. Worc. 1477, and d.s.p.

1483, 1484, 1485, 1487. Returns lost.

1491. John Savage. Roger Harwell.

It is difficult to say for certain who this John Savage was. Christopher, 7th son of Sir John Savage of Rocksavage, Cheshire (who d. 1495), founded the Woicestershire branch. The M.P. might have been his elder brother, Sir John, who placed the crown upon the head of Henry VII at Bosworth 1485, and was slain at Boulogne 1492, but it seems more probable that he was the son of that Sir John. If so, he was knighted 1497, m. Anne, dau. of Ralph Bostock of Bostock, was Sheriff of co. Worc. 24 years, and d. 2 March 1527. The Beauchamps (Earls of Warwick) were hereditary Sheriffs of co. Worc. till Richard III., when Sir Richard Nanfan was app. for life, On his resignation in 1587,

Sir Henry Savage and his son were granted the office for their lives. Sir Wm. Compton succ. them in 1516, for 19 years, after which it became an annual appointment.

Roger Harwell or Harewell was probably son of Roger H. of Wotton Shottrey, co. Warwick, by Anne, dau. and co-heir of Sir Wm. Clopton. He seems to have d. s.p.

1495, 1497, 1510, 1512, 1515, 1523. Returns lost.

1529. Oct. Sir Gilbert Talbot Knt. Sir John Russell Knt.

Sir Gilbert Talbot of Grafton Park, in Bromsgrove, eldest son of Sir Gilbert T., who d. 1517 (who was 3rd son of the 2nd Earl of Shrewsbury) m. Anne, dau. and co-heir of Sir Wm. Paston of Paston, was knighted at Lisle 14 Oct. 1513, M.P. co. Worc. 1529-1536, 1541-2, H.S. 1539, presented to Upton Warin 23 June 1537, to Pibleton 5 Dec. 1532, 19 March 1544, and d. s.p.m. 22 Oct. 1542.

Sir John Russell of Strensham, son and heir of Robert R. and descended from the M.P. 1433, m. Edith, dau. of Sir Thomas Umpton, was knighted 1529, M.P. co. Worc. 1529-36, H.S. 1541, 1546, presented to Witley 12 Dec. 1531, Strensham 17 Jan. 1549, Powick 18 Dec. 1550, and d. 15 Aug. 1556.

1536. May, and 1539 April. No Returns found.

Possibly Sir Gilbert Talbot was one of the Members of both these Parliaments.

1541. Dec. Sir Gilbert Talbot Knt.

1542. Dec. 27. Thomas Russell, of Strensham, vice Sir Gilbert Talbot, deceased.

Sir Thomas Russell of Strensham, son and heir of the M.P. 1529, m. ? 1569 (1) Frances dau. and heir of Sir Roger Chomley, (2) Margaret dau. of Wm. Lygon, was knighted 1548, M.P. co. Worc. 1542-4, 1547-52, Sept. to Dec. 1553, Jan. to May 1559, 1571, H.S. 1551, 1559, 1569, presented to Pibleton I June 1562. On 20 March 1570 he wrote to the Earl of Leicester touching the horse and foot sent out of co. Worc. into the North. (Cal. State Papers). He died 1574.

1545. Oct. Return lost.

• 1547. Oct. Thomas Russell. William Sheldon.

William Sheldon of Balford, in Beoley, son of Ralph S., m. (1) Mary (who d. 25 Jan. 1553) 4th dau. and co-heir of Wm. Willington of Barcheston, co. Warwick, (2) Margaret, dau. of Sir Richard Brook, Lord

Chief Baron of the Exchequer 1526-9 and widow of Sir William Whorwood, Attorney-General 1540-5, sat for co. Worc. 1547-52, March to May 1554, Oct. to Dec. 1555, H.S. 1547, 1556, 1567, had a grant of a portion of Evesham Abbey demesne land, situate in Higden, St. Laurence, 1544, presented to Bishampton 10 Feb. 1557, and d. 23 Dec. 1570, bur. at Beoley 15 Jan. 1571. He first introduced the making of tapestry into England. Nov. 1558, names of certain persons of the County and City of Worcester, who lent money on Privy Seals to the late Queen Mary; received by William Sheldon, collector. (C.S.P.)

1553. Feb. 8. Walter Blount. Francis Savage.

Walter Blount, son and heir of Thomas B. of Sodington, m. (1) Katherine Grey of Enfeyld, co. Stafford, (2) Margaret, dau. of Sir John Talbot of Grafton (half-brother to the M.P. 1529), sat for Stafford 1542-4. co. Worc. Feb. to Dec. 1553, Oct. 1554-5 Jan., Newcastle-under-Lyme 1559, and d. 1564.

Francis Savage of Elmley Castle, son and heir of Christopher S. (esquire of the body to the King, who received a grant of Elmley Castle 1544, and was a younger branch of the family of Savage, Earl Rivers). He had livery of Aston Manor 1545, m. Anne Sheldon (who re-m. to Anthony Daston of Wormington, co. Glouc.), and d. before 29 Nov. 1565, as the Cal. State Papers for that date mentions a copy of a court roll of Anthony Daston and Anne his wife ("late wife of Francis Savage deceased") of the manor of Aston sub Edge.

1553. Sept. 20. Sir Thomas Russell Knt. John Lyttleton.

John Lyttelton of Frankley, son of John L. who d. 1532, m. Bridget dau. and co-heir of Sir John Pakington of Hampton Lovet, was M.P. co. Worc. Sept. to Dec. 1553, H.S. 1557, 1566, 1572, J.P. cos. Worc. and Stafford, app. Constable of Dudley Castle with the Rangership of the old and new parks there 1553, knighted by Q. Elizabeth at Kenilworth Castle 1566, and (although a Roman Catholic) app. by her Dep. Lieut. and Custos Rotulorum of co. Worc. and one of the Council of the Marches of Wales, presented to Halesowen 27 Jan. 1581, and dying at Frankley 15 Feb. 1590, aged 74, was buried at Halesowen.

1554. March 7. Sir John Bourne Knt. William Sheldon.

 and other Crown manors 1557, and a lease of Ombersley, presented to Oddingley 22 Oct. 1557, I Feb. 1573, and to Pershore St. Andrew's 6 Feb. 1573. On 4 Feb. 1560 he wrote from Batenhall to his friend Francis Yaxley, giving an account of his rural occupations, and inviting him to come and enliven them, and promised all manner of rural delights. (Cal. State Papers). Sir John was a great enemy to the Reformation, and had a bitter quarrel with Bishop Edwin Sandys of Worcester (father of the M.P. 1609), during which, in April 1563 "he brought false charges against the Bishop of abuses in the administration of the affairs of his See, but confessing afterwards that he had greatly misbehaved himself to the Bishop, he was ultimately committed to the Marshalsea." He d. 1563. His cousin Gilbert Bourne was Bishop of Bath and Wells, and Lord President of Wales 1554-9.

1554. Oct. Sir John Bourne. Walter Blount.

1555. Oct. 15. Sir John Bourne. William Sheldon.

1558. Jan. Sir John Bourne Knt. Sir Thomas Baskervile Knt.

Of Brinsop and Sapey Inferior, co. Hereford, and Wolves Hill, co. Worc., third son of Sir James B., of Eardisley, co. Hereford (see Williams'. Herefordshire Members), m. Eleanor dau. and co-heir of Richard Abington, of Brockhampton, co. Hereford, and relict of John Dansey, of Brinsop. He was knighted 2 Oct. 1553, M.P. co. Worc. 1558, H.S. co. Worc. 1555, 1562, and of co. Hereford 1570, and as such on 10 May 1570, he and other Justices certified to the Privy Council their proceedings in procuring returns of the sums collected and expended for armour and munitions within co. Hereford. He died s.p.m. 15 April, 1572.

1559. Jan. 4. Sir Thomas Russell. Thomas Blounte.

Thomas Blount, of Kidderminster, sat for co. Worc. Jan. to May 1559, and 1562-7, and bought the Manor and advowson of Kidderminster for £454 9s. od. from Queen Elizabeth, 1 Feb. 1560. His kinsman Walter Blount, of Kidderminster, was H.S. 1579. This line was founded by John, son of Sir John B., of Sodington, by his 2nd wife Isabella dau. and heir of Sir Brian Cornewall, of Kinlet. The Member seems to have been Sir Thomas Blount, of Kinlet, son of Sir Humphrey B. by Elizabeth dau. of Robert Winnington, and m. Anne dau. of Sir Richard Croftes.

1562. Dec. Thomas Blount. Ralph Sheldon.

Ralph Sheldon, of Beoley, eldest son of the M.P. 1554, was aged 33 at the Visitation in 1570, m. Anne dau. of Sir Robert Throckmorton, of Coughton, co. Warwick, was M.P. co. Worc. 1562-7, H.S. 1576, built Weston, and purchased Steeple Barton, co. Oxford, presented to St. Augustin's, Droitwich, 28 April 1572, and d. 30 March 1611.

1571. April. Sir Thomas Russell. Gilbert Lyttelton, jun.

Of Frankley, eldest son of the M.P. 1553, m. Eliz. dau. of Humphrey Coningsby, of Nyend Sollers, Salop, and Hampton Court, co. Hereford, (see *Williams' Herefordshire Members*), was M.P. co. Worc. 1571, 1572-83, H.S. 1584, presented to Hagley 4 Dec. 1571, and d. I June 1599, aged 59. As Sheriff he wrote the Council 11 Feb. 1585, that he had mustered and furnished with weapons and armour the 50 men required for service in Ireland, and sent them under the command of Robert Acton to Chester; and on 24 Oct. 1585 he informed them of "the answers of the Recusants required to furnish light horses. John Talbot (see 1572) willingly assents to provide 3 light horses." (C.S.P.)

1572. April. Gilbert Lyttelton, jun. John Talbot,

Of Longford, Salop, younger son of Sir John T., of Grafton, (grandson of Sir John T., half-brother to the M.P. 1529), m. Eleanor dau. and co-heir of Sir Thomas Baskerville, of Wolvershill (see 1558), presented to Upton Warin 15 Sept. 1572, sat for co. Worc. 1572-83, knighted at Dublin 6 Sept. 1599, and d. 1607. Bur. in a Church near Ludgate. His only son John succ. his uncle George as 10th Earl of Shrewsbury.

1584. Nov. 5. John Russell. John Lyttelton, jun.

John Russell of Strensham, son and heir of the M.P. 1553, m. Eliz. dau. of Ralph Sheldon (see 1562), was M.P. Wycomb 1571, Droitwich 1572-83, co. Worc. 1584-5, 1586-7, 1588-9, H.S. 1577, knighted about 1587, presented to Strensham and also to Pibelton 5 Sept. 1578. Quaere if he held some office at Court, as he attended Q. Elizabeth in 1591, in which year the Corporation of Worcester gave him a gallon of claret wine and seck (sack) and a pound of sugar as a present.

John Lyttelton, jun, of Frankley, son and heir of the M.P. 1571, b. 1561, matric. Magdalen Coll., Oxon, 22 Dec. 1576, aged 15, ent. Inner Temple Nov. 1579, but was not called to the bar, m. Muriel, dau. of Sir Thomas Bromley, Lord Chancellor, and sister to the M.P. 1593, and sat for co. Worc. 1584-5, 1586-7, 1597-8. This gentleman, said Sir Francis Bacon, being much respected for his wit and value, and a

Roman Catholic, was courted by the Earl of Essex and his friends, and in some measure drawn in by Sir Charles Danvers to that conspiracy which cost Essex his head and Lyttelton his estate, for he was tried and convicted of high treason at the Queen's Bench bar 21 Feb. 1601, and though his execution was averted through the interest of Sir Walter Raleigh, he died in prison 25 July following. Upon the accession of James I. in 1603, his widow threw herself at his feet at Doncaster, and obtained a grant by letters patent of the whole of her husband's estate, an Act of Parliament being passed to reverse his attainder. She was a person of great prudence, and discharged debts, contracted by her husband and his father, to the amount of £9,000, although she was remarkable for benevolence and hospitality. She survived her husband 28 years, and brought up her children in the reformed religion.

1586. Oct. 5. John Russell. John Lyttelton, jun.

1588. Oct. 30. Sir John Russell Knt. William Lygon.

Of Madresfield, son of Richard L. who d. 1584, by Mary, dau. of Sir Thomas Russell of Strensham (see 1553), and was therefore nephew to his colleague. He m. Eliz. dau. of Edmund Knightley of Grandborough, co. Warwick, was knighted 11 May 1603, presented to Madresfield 17 May 1595, 6 Dec. 1596, H.S. co. Worc. 1592, J.P. 1601, M.P. 1588-9 and 1604 till his death 1609.

1593. Jan. Sir Henry Bromley Knt. William Walshe.

Sir Henry Bromley of Holt Castle and Upton-on-Severn, eldest son and heir of Sir Thomas Bromley, Lord High Chancellor 1579-87. born 1560, matric. Hart Hall, Oxon., 17 Dec. 1576, aged 16, ent. Inner Temple Nov. 1579, m. (1) Eliz. dau. of Sir Wm. Pelham, (2) Eliz. (bur. at Holt 17 March 1592), dau. of Hugh Verney of Somerset, (3) Anne dau. of Sir Thomas Scott of Scott's Hall, Kent, and became lord of Upton Manor, and (4) in 1602 or 1603 Anne dau. of Ald. Beswick of London, and widow of — Offley, a London merchant. He purchased Ham Castle from Sir Herbert Croft, was knighted 1592, M.P. Plymouth 1584-5, 1586-7, Salop 1597-8, co. Worc. Jan. to April 1593, 1604-11. H.S. 1593, 1606, and d. 15 May 1615. Although he was a great favourite of Q. Elizabeth's, and was app. a Commr. to examine cases of Recusancy, he was concerned, like his brother-in-law John Lyttelton (see 1584), in Essex's rebellion, for which he was a prisoner in the Tower Feb. 1601-2 May, and his estates were forfeited, but were restored on the accession of James I. in 1603, and the grateful Sir Henry being Sheriff in 1606, exerted himself most actively in searching out and arresting persons in the county implicated in the Gunpowder Plot.

William Walsh, lord of the manor of Abberley, eldest son and heir of Walter W. of Wresbury, Bucks., m. Eliz. dau. of George Board of Cookfield, Sussex, was knighted July 1603, M.P. co. Worc. Jan. to April 1593, H.S., 1599, J.P. in 1601 and 1620, and d.s.p. 18 April 1622. He purchased the manor of Upton Snowdesbury (yearly value £29 19s. 8d.) for £839 11s. $3\frac{1}{2}$ d. in 1590. In 1610 he petitioned the Crown for a lease of Alton Woods, being within his manor of Abberley.

1597. Sept. 21. John Lyttelton. Edmond Colles.

Of Leigh Court, son of William C. by Margaret sister and co-heir of John Hitch, ent. Inner Temple Nov. 1553, m. (1) the dau. of - Somervile of Somervile Aston, co. Glouc. (2) the dau. of -- Townsend, was J.P. co. Worc. in 1585 and 1601, Dep. Lieut., H.S. 1575, 1590, M.P. Sept. 1597-8 Feb., app. one of the Council of the Marches of Wales 7 July 1602, d. 19 Dec. 1606 aged 76, and was bur. in Leigh Church. He purchased the inheritance of the Manor of Leigh, but "being loaded with debts (which like a snowball from the Malvern Hills gathered increase), he sold Leigh Court to Sir Walter Devereux," (see 1624). The Commrs. of Musters for co. Worc. wrote the Earls of Warwick and Leicester and Sir Christopher Hatton 2 June 1581, desiring that the rate at which Edmund Colles was charged might be abated, "being over burdenous for his estate and abilitie." Edmond Colles J.P. co. Worc. on 23 Oct. 1585, wrote the High Sheriff, Gilbert Lyttelton (see 1571), reporting the doings of himself and Mr. Knottesford in the matters of recusancy, with regard to Mr. Hugh Lygon and Thomas Wreynford. (C.S.P.)

1601. Oct. 14. Sir Thomas Leighton Knt. Thomas Russell.

Sir Thomas Leighton, of Feckenham, co. Worc., younger son of John Leighton, of Wattlesborough, Salop, by Joyce, dau. of Sutton Lord Dudley, was Knighted May 1579, J.P. co. Worc. in 1601, M.P. co. Worc. Oct. to Dec. 1601, (and probably Beverley 1571, and North-umberland 1572-83), and m. Elizabeth (or Anne) Knolles (one of the Queen's relations), dau. of Sir Francis Knollys, by Catherine, dau. of Wm. Carey and Mary, sister to Q. Anne Boleyn, and received from the Queen a grant of Feckenham Park. He was Constable of the Tower, and d. in 1611, his inquisition post-mortem being held 2 Oct. 1611. Sir Thomas was a distinguished soldier, and held high military office the latter part of Queen Elizabeth's reign, and was one of the general officers summoned to consult together in March 1588, to repel the Spanish Armada. The Calendar of State Papers contain several references to him:—"6 Dec. 1587, Requests by Sir Thomas Leighton, Sir John Smith, and Ralph Lane, of such things in their commissions to better enable them to execute the service of viewing and ordering

They desire to have the titles of Colonels, the trained forces. and their subordinates to be called Sergeant Majors." "6 April 1588, Warrant to the Exchequer for allowance of 40s, per diem to Sir John Norris and to Sir Thomas Leighton during their repair into several counties on Her Majesty's special service." Leighton visited Essex, Suffolk, and Norfolk, the Lord Lieutenants being ordered 6 April to observe his instructions for defence of their coasts. The Council ordered him 22 July 1588 to attend the Earl of Leicester's forces at Tilbury and Gravesend. He was Colonel of a company in Essex in June 1591, and received a reward of £200 from the Queen 9 Dec. 1591. He was Captain of Guernsey in May 1593, and still held that Government in 1602." Grant 10 Aug. 1595 "to him, his wife, and their heirs, of timber in the woods of Hanbury manor, for building and repairing the houses of the manor, with firebote, ploughbote, cartbote, and hedgebote for the tenants and pasture for their cattle in Feckenham forest." Letter 8 Feb. 1604 to the Bishop of Durham to confirm a grant of certain fisheries in the Tweed to Sir T. Leighton. Grant 8 June 1604 to Elizabeth, his wife, Lady of the Bedchamber to the late Queen, of the reversion of £200 per annum for life. Among the "Captaines of ye Footmen" in a list of the Officers commanding the Queen's Forces in 1569, appears the name of "Captain Leighton—500 men."

Thomas Russell, of Strensham, son and heir of the M.P. 1586, born 1577, matric. St. John's Coll., Oxon. 5 Nov. 1591, aged 14, m. Eliz. dau. of Sir Wm. Spencer, was M.P. co. Worc. Oct. to Dec. 1601, and Truro 1614, H.S. 1604, J.P. in 1620, Knighted 11 May 1603, presented to Pibleton 22 March 1622, and d. 1632. In 1610 Sir Thomas and his son William (see 1625), were granted the office of Masters of the Game in Malvern Chase.

1604. Feb. 29. Sir Henry Bromley Knt. Sir William Liggon Knt.

John Talbot, of Grafton (see 1572), wrote a letter to his brother, Gilbert, Earl of Shrewsbury, in 1604, complaining of an undue election for co. Worcester, Sir Edmond Harewell and Sir John Packington being candidates, Sir William Walsh having retired in favour of Sir Henry Bromley. He mentioned "Young Sir Thomas Russell" as being the Sheriff and Returning officer. (See Nash's Worcestershire).

1609. Nov. 1, Sir Samuel Sandys Knt., of Ombersley, vice Lygon deceased. Eldest son of Edwin Sandys, Archbishop of York, who d. 1588, leaving him the manor of Ombersley, born 28 Dec. 1560, m. Mercy, dau. of Martin Culpeper, was Knighted 23 July 1603, H.S. co. Worc. 1618, J.P. in 1601 and 1620, M.P. Ripon 1586-7, co. Worc. 1609-11, March to June 1614, 1620-2, one of the Council of the Marches of Wales 30 June 1623, d. 18 Aug. 1623, bur. in the chancel of Wickhamford Church (M.I.) He was succ. by his eldest son, Sir Edwin Sandys, M.P., who however died 6 Sept. following. (See 1661).

1614. March. Sir Thomas Bromley Knt. Sir Samuel Sandys Knt.

Sir Thomas Bromley, of Holt Castle, son and heir of the M.P. 1593, born 1585, matric. Queen's Coll., Oxon. 7 Nov. 1600, aged 15, m. Anne, dau. and co-heir of Sir Richard Walshe, was Knighted 23 July 1603, sat for co. Worc. March to June 1614, 1628-9, and was buried 10 Sept. 1641.

1620. Dec. 13. Sir Thomas Littleton Knt. and Bart. Sir Samuel Sandys Knt.

Sir Thomas Littleton, of Frankley, eldest son and heir of the M.P. 1584, was born 1596, matric. Ball. Coll., Oxon, 22 June 1610, aged 14, B.A. from Broadgates Hall 2 July 1614, ent. Inner Temple 1613, supplicated for the bar 2 July 1614, Knighted at Whitehall July 1618, created a Baronet 18 July 1618, m. Catherine, dau. and sole heir of Sir Thomas Crompton, of Driffield, co. York, presented to Halesowen 12 Dec. 1620, and Hagley 18 June 1634, sat for co. Worc. 1620-2, 1624-5, 1625, 1626, March to May 1640, H.S. (?1623), 1640, offered in 1642 to raise a regt. of foot and a troop of horse for the King, and was app. Colonel of the Worcestershire Horse and Foot, Sept. 1642, taken prisoner at Bewdley 1644, and imprisoned in the Tower, released on bail by Lord Essex, but re-committed by Parl. 29 Nov. 1644, fined £4000 on 6 March 1645, was still a prisoner in June 1646, and d. 22 Feb. 1650, aged 57, bur. in Worcester Cathedral. He and others were commissioned 19 Aug. 1622 to end the differences between Sir Samuel Sandys, lord of the manor of Ombersley (see 1609), and his tenants, or to certify to the King where the fault lay. In 1642 his seat at Frankley was burned to the ground by Prince Rupert's orders to save it being occupied for Parl.

> 1624. Feb. Sir Walter Devereux Knt. and Bart. Sir Thomas Littleton Knt. and Bart.

Sir Walter Devereux, of Leigh Court, which he purchased from Mr. Colles (see 1597), was eldest surviving son of the Hon. Sir Edward D., of Castle Bromwich, co. Stafford (only son by his 2nd wife of Walter 1st Viscount Hereford), whom he succ. as 2nd Bart. 14 Sept. 1622, was b. 1578, knighted 23 July 1603; m. (1) before 1603, Eliz. (who d.s.p. before 1614), dau. and heir of Robert Bayspoole, of the Priory, Aldeburgh, Norfolk, (2) Eliz. 2nd dau. of Thomas Knightley M.P., of Borough Hall, co. Stafford, and widow (1) of Thomas Martin, of Barton, co. Camb., and (2) of Andrew Nevin. He was M.P. co. Stafford 1614, Marlborough Feb. 1621-2, co. Worc. 1624-5, Worcester 1625, H.S. of co. Warwick 1617, and of co. Worc. 1626, a Commr. 9 March 1637, to compensate the river proprietors who had suffered damage by the attempt to improve the navigation of the River Avon, succ. his kinsman Robert Earl of Essex, the Parliamentary General, as 5th

Viscount Hereford 14 Sept. 1646, and as Lord Lieut. of cos. Hereford and Montgomery 1646, and took the Covenant 18 Nov. 1646. At the commencement of the Civil War Sir Walter Devereux was seated at Leigh (Lye), near Worcester, and was the only noted Parliamentarian in the county. His two houses of Leigh and Conleigh were burnt by the Cavaliers, and he fled to Bristol where he remained until Prince Rupert took the city. His lordship in 1647 petitioned Parliament for £50,000 compensation—£20,000 for the loss of his two houses, and £30,000 for 4 years rental. He purchased Sudbourne in Suffolk, where he died Jan. 1657 or 1659. Administration granted 20 June 1659.

1625. April 27. Sir Thomas Littleton. William Russell.

Of Strensham, son and heir of the M.P. 1601, matric. Wadham Coll., Oxon, 12 May 1620, aged 18, ent. Middle Temple 1621, m. Frances, dau. of Sir Thomas Reade, of Barton, Berks, was created a Baronet 12 March 1627, M.P. co. Worc. April to Aug. 1625, H.S. 1636, 1642, J.P. 10 July 1660, presented to Witley 17 Jan. 1633, and Strensham 24 April 1639, 7 Dec. 1643, elected an Honorary Freeman of Worcester 1643, and d. 30 Nov. 1669, bur. at Strensham. Sir William was in 1635 a stubborn opponent of William Sandys (see Evesham 1640), in his attempt to improve the navigation of the Avon, although he was made 9 March 1637 a Commr. to compensate the riparian owners damaged by the scheme, and instead of aiding did his utmost to retard the work. He was an active royalist, and fought at Worcester under Prince Rupert in Sept. 1642, when "the Roundheads pillaged his house to the bare walls." In the treaty between Col. Henry Washington, Governor of Worcester, and Col. Thomas Raynesborough (see Droitwich 1646), for the surrender of the city (19 July 1646), the latter insisted that Sir William Russell (one of the garrison) should be exempted from the benefit of the treaty, and this caused a long delay, during which Sir William was much pressed to escape in disguise, but he refused, saying he would willingly surrender himself for the public good, as he had but Upon his absolute a life to lose, and it could not be better spent. refusal to escape or stop the treaty any longer, the noblemen and gentlemen, thinking themselves bound in honour, signed a letter to Sir Thomas Fairfax, desiring that Sir William Russell might have the benefit of the treaty, and that he could not by any other means so much oblige the country. Sir Thomas replied that Sir William should be used as a gentleman and be prisoner to Col. Raynesborough. He was assessed at £3000 on 8 July 1644, but it was ordered 11 Sept. that his assessment be discharged for £500 paid in Tower Ward, he deposing that £80 was his one twentieth. 15 Jan. 1649, Frances, the wife of Sir Wm. Russell (her husband being prisoner in the King's Bench under several executions for debt), begs to compound. 19 Feb., Fine at one third, £2071, to be £1800 if he settles the Rectory upon the parish of Birlingham. 24 July 1651, summoned before the Committee for Compounding to take the Oath of Abjuration. 5 Jan. 1649, Information that Sir Wm. Russell Bt., of Strensham, and John Horniold, of Blackmore, are bound in £600 for a debt of £312 to Walter Blount, of Seddington (see 1553). Order 16 Sept. 1653 for seizure of Blount's estate. 23 Oct. 1654 the County Committee certify that the defendant Blount is dead. Sir William, who was an intended Knight of the Royal Oak 1660 (when his estates were put down at £3000 a year), signed the Worcestershire address to the King 8 May 1660, declaring that they would not punish the Roundheads, but forgive and leave peaceably with them. He must not be confused with Sir William Russell Knt. and Bart., a much older man, who was first a Muscovy merchant, and then Treasurer of the Navy 1618-42, and M.P. Windsor 1626.

1626. Feb. 1. Sir Thomas Littleton. Sir John Rous Knt.

Sir John Rouse, of Rouse Lench, son of Edward R., who d. 1611, m. Esther, dau. of Sir Thomas Temple, of co. Warwick, was Knighted July 1607, H.S. co. Worc. 1611, 1637, J.P. in 1620, M.P. Feb. to June 1626, was app. a Commr. to compensate the riparian owners of the Avon 9 March 1637, and d. 1645. He must not be mistaken for sir John Rous Knt, of Henham Hall, Suffolk, M.P. Dunwich 1624, 1625, 1626, whose descendant was created Earl of Stradbroke 1821.

1628. Feb. 28. Hon. Thomas Coventry. Sir Thomas Bromley Knt.

The former was eldest son of Thomas, 1st Lord Coventry (see Droitwich 1620), whom he succ. 14 Jan. 1640, was b. 1606, m. 2 April 1627, Mary, younger dau. of Sir Wm. Craven Knt., Lord Mayor of London 1611, and sister to the 1st Earl of Craven, was M.P. Droitwich 1625, 1626, co. Worc. 1628-9, app. one of the Council of the Marches of Wales 2 May 1633, a Compensation Commr. for the Avon 9 March 1637, Joint Commr. of Array in co. Worc. 1642, and signed the Engagement with the King at York 1642, and d. in London, 27 Oct. 1661. By his will, dated 31 Aug. 1657, Lord Coventry left £500 in charity to the poor of Evesham. "Thomas Lord Coventry, of Croome D'Abitot. 15 Jan. 1644, on information that he has money and goods in the East India Company, order that they stay all belonging to him in their custody. 15 April, assessed at £3,000; Sept. 20, assessed at £1,500 by the House of Peers; 11 April 1645, Parliament having assessed him at £1,500, and the same not being paid, all his goods and chattels in his house at Westminster are to be seized, inventoried and sold by the candle, towards satisfaction thereof. April, Note that Lord C. paid at several times sums amounting to £1,500." In 1642 Lord Coventry defended Worcester against the forces of Parl., but was defeated by Col. His younger son Thomas, 5th Lord, was created Earl of Sandys. Coventry 1697.

1640. March 11. Sir Thomas Littleton.Sir John Packington Bt.

Sir John Pakington, of Westwood, eldest son of Sir John Pakington, 1st Bart., of Ailesbury, Bucks, M.P., who d.v.p. Oct. 1624, aged 24, born 1620, succ. his father as 2nd Bart. Oct. 1624, and his gandfather Sir John P. (one of the Privy Council to Q. Eliz.) in the estates Jan. 1625, when "in his fifth year, and under the guardianship of Lord Coventry, the Lord Keeper (see Droitwich 1620), by whose vigilant care of his education, both by travel and other advantages, he became a most accomplished gentleman." He m. Dorothy, dau, of his guardian, Lord Coventry, and sister to the M.P. 1628, was elected M.P. co. Worc. and Aylesbury March, but preferred the County, till May 1640, Aylesbury Oct. 1640 till disabled Aug. 1642, for his loyalty, was adm. an Hon. Freeman of Worcester 1643, J.P. co. Worc. 10 July 1660, signed the County Address to the King expressing forgiveness of the Roundheads 8 May 1660, again sat for co. Worc. 1661-79, presented to Hadsor 16 Sept. 1674, and to Hampton Lovet 18 Aug. 1660, 30 Aug. 1679, and d. 13 Jan. 1681. Sir John received from the King in 1642 a commission for arraying men for his service in co. Worc., on account of which he was taken prisoner and committed to the Tower, and fined £5,000, had his estate sequestered, his house in Bucks (one of the best in that county) levelled with the ground, and such great wastes committed in his woods, that an estimate of his loss, still remaining in his lady's handwriting, amounts to £20,348. In 1651 he joined Charles II. with a troop of horse, at the battle of Worcester, and was taken prisoner there, yet was so popular, that when afterwards tried for his life, not one witness could be procured to swear against him, so he was acquitted and set at liberty. On 22 April 1646, he "begs to compound for delinquency, as submitting before I Dec. last. Adhered to the King's party, and was at the battle of Kineton, after which he returned to co. Worc., and endeavoured by special messenger to his wife in London to procure a pass, which she could not do. On 21 March last by pass from the Governor of Evesham, he came up and rendered himself to the Speaker, but repairing to Goldsmith's Hall on the 23rd, he was ordered into the custody of the Serjeant at Arms. Begs his liberty upon bail to prosecute his composition, being much impaired in health by his long restraint in the hot season. 24 Oct., Fine at ½, £13,395. 15 July, Fine reduced to ⅓, £7,670. 2 Jan. 1652, Charge that he assisted the Scots army at Worcester 1651, by appearing at Pitchcroft with a sword by his side, when the pretended King of Scots was at Worcester. 27 Sept. 1659, his estate to be seized for suspected complicity in Sir G. Booth's rising." (Committee for Compounding). On 11 Dec. 1649, it was reported that he had paid £3,500 of his fine, and part of his estate ordered to be settled on the Borough of Aylesbury, for which £2,670 was to be allowed him out of his fine. He was imprisoned in the Tower Dec. 1654 to Sept. 1655, for alleged plotting against the

Protector. His lady was esteemed one of the most learned of her sex at that time, and was the reputed author of *The Whole Duty of Man*.

1640. Oct. 21. John Wylde. Humphrey Salway.

The celebrated Long Parliament, expelled by Cromwell 20 April John Wylde was the son and heir of George Wylde, of Kempsey, Serjeant at Law (see Droitwich 1584), by Frances dau. of Sir Edmund Huddleston. He was born 1590; matric. Ball. Coll., Oxon, 18 Jan. 1605, aged 14; B.A. 20 Oct. 1607 (incorporated at Cambridge 1608), M.A. 4 July 1610; ent. Inner Temple Nov. 1602; called to the Bar 1612; Bencher 1628; Serjeant at Law 1636; M.P. Droitwich 1620-2, 1624, 1625, 1626, 1628-9, March to May 1640, Jan. to April 1659; co. Worcester Oct. 1640-8; a Rumper 1659; a Commr. of the Great Seal 10 Nov. 1643-6 Oct. 30; Recorder of Worcester July 1646; Chief Baron of the Exchequer 12 Oct. 1648-53 Dec., or to 1 May 1655, and 17 Jan. to May or 1 June 1660; m. Anne eldest dau. and co-heir of Sir Thomas Harries Bart., M.P., Serjeant at Law of Tong Castle, Salop, and d. at Hampstead in 1669. Serjeant Wilde was app. Under Steward of Kidderminster by the new charter 4 Aug. 1636, and was a most active member of the Long Parliament, serving as Chairman of several Committees of the House. When the Civil War broke out in 1642. he subscribed two horses and their maintenance for the defence of Parlia-He was one of the managers for impeaching Archbishop Laud The Commons recommended him to be app. Dep. Lieut. co. Worc. 18 March 1642, he was made a Sequestration Commr. for co. Worc. April 1643, was J.P. in 1620 and 1654, and app. an Assessment Commr. 1656. He was a member of the first two Councils of State Feb. 1649 to 15 Feb. 1651, but being disliked by Oliver Cromwell, was removed from the Exchequer 1653, and petitioned in vain to be re-app. 1659, though Parliament re-instated him next year. The Commons ordered, 3 June 1645, that Serjeant Wylde and his colleague Humphrey Salway "be paid £4 a week for their present maintenance," but this order was discharged 20 Aug. 1646. He served on the following Committees of the House, namely for Assessment of England and Wales Oct. 1644, Sequestrations Feb. 1643, Grocers Hall April 1644, Camb. Univ. Oct. 1645, to regulate Oxford Univ. July 1646, and of Safety July 1648, and indeed most of the principal Committees of the Long Parliament.

Humphrey Salway of Stanford, eldest son of Arthur S. of that place, (Secondary of Mr. Fanshaw's office), matric. Bras. Coll., Oxon, 8 Nov. 1590, aged 15; B.A. 16 Feb. 1593, ent. Inner Temple Nov. 1594; m. Anne 2nd dau. of Sir Edward Lyttelton Knt., of Pillaton Hall, co. Stafford; was fined £25 on 6 July 1630, for not taking Knighthood at the coronation of Charles I., app. a Commr. to compensate the Avon proprietors 9 March 1637, was J.P. co. Worc., app. a Sequestration

Commr. for co. Worc. 1643, a member of the General Assessment Committee Oct. 1644, of the Committee on Scandalous Offences June 1646, and on the Navy Committee May 1649, a Parl. Commr. to reside with the army in Scotland 18 July 1645, a Commr. to try the King Jan. 1649, but did not act. He was app. by Parl., 3 Aug. 1644, First or King's Remembrancer of the Exchequer (£400 a year), vice Fanshaw dismissed, and held that office and sat for co. Worc. from Oct. 1640 till his death, being buried in Westminster Abbey 20 Dec. 1652.

1653. June. Richard Salway. John James.

This was Barebone's Parliament, the Members of which were not elected, but appointed by Oliver Cromwell and a Council of Officers, and summoned to meet at Westminster 4 July 1653, by letters under the hand of the Lord General Cromwell. This assembly declared itself a Parliament 6 July, and resigned its powers to the Lord General 12 Dec. 1653. (Commons Journal).

Major Richard Salway, of Richard's Castle, co. Hereford, 4th son of Humphrey S. (see 1640), m. Anne dau. of Richard Waring, Ald. He was app. one of the Parl. Committee for co. Worc. 1644, sat for Appleby Oct. 1645-53, co. Worc. June to Dec. 1653, and was a Rumper 1659. The following details of his career, gathered from the Commons Journals and Calendar of State Papers, show his activity on behalf of the Commonwealth:—He was app. one of the Committee for executing Martial Law in London and Westminster Aug. 1644, of Assessment for co. Worc. Oct. 1644, of Scandalous Offences June 1646, for Irish Affairs April 1647, of the Navy 1648, and for Regulating the Universities Sept. 1650. The Committee of both Kingdoms gave instructions to Richard Salway and others employed on a mission to the Earl of Ormond and others at Dublin 17 Oct. 1646. He was nominated a Commr. for Ireland 14 Sept., but the Council recommended that Miles Corbet be app. in his stead 26 Nov. 1650. The Committee for compounding ordered the Treasurers at Goldsmith's Hall 12 Nov. 1650 to pay £1,000 a year each to Col. John Jones (see Williams' Parl. History of Wales), Major Richard Salway, and John Weaver, from Michaelmas last, for diet and charges as long as they were employed as Commrs. in Ireland. Order in Parl. 20 Nov. 1650 appointing Richard Salway and 16 others to be a Committee to state the business of the revenues of the Papists lands On 25 Nov. 1651 the Committee for Compounding wrote to him:—As you live near Whichwood Forest, sequestered from Lord Craven, please to take care of the State's interest therein, that we may better perform our trust. Order in Parl. 14 July 1652 that he and Luke Robinson M.P. report touching the powers and practice of the Committee for Compounding in appeals. In 1654 the Levant Company petitioned the Council of State to appoint him Ambassador to Turkey, but this was not done. He was made Ranger of Wychwood Forest 1654, Mayor of Worcester 1654, a

member of the 3rd Council of State 17 Feb. to Nov. 1651, of the 4th Council Dec. 1651-2 Nov., and of the 6th Council 29 April (his appointment approved by the House of Commons 9 July) to Oct. 1653, and was placed on the Committees for the affairs of Ireland and Scotland 1 March 1651, and upon several other Committees. He was app. one of the Committee of Safety 7 May 1659, 2pp. 7 May one of the Council of State, which was to last 17 May to 1 Dec. 1659, app. 20 June 1659 first of the five Commrs. to manage the Revenue for six months, was one of the Council of State May and June, and one of the Committee of Safety June till Oct. 1659, President of the Council of State in Sept. 1659, and one of the Council of Ten app. by the Army 28 Oct. 1659. A Restoration Tract, entitled The Mystery of the Good Old Cause, briefly unfolded, says of him: - "Richard Salway, once a Grocer's 'Prentice, and their spokesman in one of their tumultuous hurries to the Long Parliament, and ever since was taken notice of for a great talker. He was a main man in the Committee of Safety; for which the Rump, when they sat again, rebuked him gently, as one that had gone astray from the Good Old Cause; a Major in the Army, and a great purchaser." Of his after career the following glimpses are given:—"30 July 1662, Francis Lord Newport to Secretary Nicholas—Major Salway is brought into Shrewsbury Castle and shall be sent to London. II Aug., Lord Chancellor Clarendon to Lord Newport—The King consents for Major Salway to be set at liberty as there is no information against him; several persons of unquestionable integrity give security for him and he has entered obligations for his peaceable demeanour. He will not only have no hand in disturbances, but will prevent or discover them. Commends him for protection and countenance, that he may not be disquieted for past memories. Oct. 1663, Warrant for search and apprehension of Major Richard Salway, to be committed close prisoner to the Tower, for treasonable designs. 2 Nov., Warrant to Sir John Robinson, Lieutenant of the Tower, to receive him prisoner for dangerous practices. 7 Nov., Warrant to the same to permit Sir Allan Apsley and Salway's wife to have access to her husband. 16 Jan. 1664, Warrant to the same to permit Salway to have pen, ink, and paper to draw up a petition to the King in the presence of his keeper. 30 Jan., Resolution that Salway be released on good security. 3 Feb. 1664, Warrant to Sir John Robinson to release Salway on his taking the oaths of allegiance and supremacy, giving security for good conduct, and paying the prison dues." Henry Coventry (see Droitwich 1661) wrote to Williamson 1 April 1664—" Major Richard Salway, late prisoner in the Tower, is summoned before a Committee of the House of Commons to give testimony in Sir John Packington's business (see 1640), but as there is a proclamation forbidding all such officers to stay in or come to town without leave, a license is requested for him."

Col. John James, of Astley, co. Worc., and Trippleton, co. Hereford, son of John James, of Astley, by Mary dau. of Walter Winford, was H.S. co. Hereford in Dec. 1650, app. a Sequestration

Commr. for it 4 Sept. 1649 and 7 Feb. 1650, but discharged for unsatisfactory accounts in or about March 1652, app. Capt. of a Troop of Horse Militia in co. Hereford 21 Aug. 1650, a Commr. for ejecting scandalous and insufficient Ministers and Schoolmasters in it Aug. 1654, and a Commr. to raise £1,000 Assessment upon it 1656. The Committee of both Kingdoms ordered, 19 April 1647, that "Capt. Tames shall have power to seize upon and recruit his troop out of such horses as are the State's, marked with the State's mark, and have been embezled and sold away to any persons in cos. Bucks, Berks, and Oxon." It is doubtful whether the "passes granted to Capt. James to go to Holland 15 May 1650, and to go beyond sea 20 Feb. 1652," apply to him. The Committee for Compounding wrote to him 26 Dec. 1650, "Knowing how much you may contribute to carry on Sequestration work, we have joined Mr. Herring (see Williams' Herefordshire Members), with you therein, and beg you both to use the utmost care to manage it to the best advantage. We have heard so much of your prudence and readiness that we believe you will omit nothing, and therefore will not trouble you further." He replied on 10 Jan. 1651—"Thanks for your remembrance of me and my cousin Salway (his colleague). I am sorry I cannot answer your expectations in regard of other public business, but I shall spare as much time as I can for your business." He was added by Parl. to the Committee for Sequestrations in co. Worc. 20 July 1648, and re-app, by the Committee for Compounding 10 Sept. 1651, but in this latter case it appears that he did not accept the office. Col. James was app. Commander of the Horse and Dragoons in co. Worc. under a commission from the Council of State, 31 March 1651, to "raise and command the forces in co. Worc. under the Militia Act," and he was ordered a further one 30 June for "listing volunteers in co. Worc." On 7 Oct. 1651 the Council wrote to him at Worcester—"The Council have ordered Col. Cooper to search for some gold said to be hid in Worcester, belonging to the enemy; the money is found, and 150 pieces of old gold are now in your hands; send it up to us to be disposed of as the Council shall direct." Council wrote him on 31 March 1651—"Being informed of your fitness to command the horse and dragoons raised in co. Worc., we have issued a commission for that purpose, which we enclose, and desire you to give your best furtherance and assistance in raising of them that they may be ready on all occasions for preservation of the peace." He received a commission as Captain in the 1st Horse Regiment for the safety of the Eastern Association and Inland parts 21 April 1651, and as these measures were taken to repel the Scots army under Charles II., it is probable that Col. James took an active part in the disastrous defeat of the King at the Battle of Worcester. He was added by order of Parl. to the High Court of Justice 25 June 1651, and app. 1 Nov. 1653 (and took the oath of secrecy 5 Nov.) as a member of the seventh Council of State, which lasted till Dec. 1653. He was M.P. co. Worc. June to Dec. 1653, app. one of the Ordnance Committee and also of the

Committee for Lunatics 8 Nov., and was added to the Irish and Scotch Committee 28 Nov. 1653. The Council of State ordered 15 June 1653, that Col. John James and other M.P.'s "should have the lodgings late in possession of Sir Henry Vane, Sir H. Mildmay, and Col. Thomson, and any others they think fit, so that they may be lodged together," and further ordered 8 July, "that the Whitehall Committee should put them in possession of the house late Dennis Bond's." The stern rulers of the Commonwealth firmly set their faces against duelling as appears from the following instance—"25 April 1654, Lord Protector's Council. The Lord President having last Saturday issued a warrant to take into custody Charles Rich and John James on information of a quarrel between them, both parties appeared before the Council where both were bound in $f_{1,000}$ and two sureties in $f_{1,000}$ not to fight each other, nor break the public peace. 8 May, a warrant to be prepared for commitment of both to the Tower, they not having attended to give security. 10 May, two warrants signed but suspended till Jessop (Assistant Clerk of the Council) give notice to Rich in the country. 19 May, Order that they both give security in £,1,000 each with two sufficient sureties to keep the peace towards each other for all times to come and neither of them to break it, and on so doing that their warrant for commitment to the Tower be suspended." From the following references he seems to have been brought to trial at the Restoration, but if condemned must have been afterwards pardoned. "31 May 1667, Petition of Jasper Waterhouse for payment for services in drawing out the indictments, &c., against Sir Hardress Walker, Wm. Hewlett, John James, Sir Henry Vane, John Lambert, and others, for high treason." 1 Sept. 1670, "Licence for John James, of Trippleton, co. Hereford, to remain in and about London and Westminster, although an officer in the army of the late usurped powers." Col. John James m. Jane, dau. and heir of Wm. Higgins, of Tripleton, co. Hereford, and died at Tripleton May 1681, aged 71. His eldest son Higgins James, (aged 48 in 1682) d.s.p. 1709, having m. (1) Eliz., dau. of Hon. Wallop Brabazon, of Eaton, co Hereford, and (2) 1698 Mercy, sister of Samuel Pytts, of Kyre (see Co. 1710).

> 1654. July 12. Sir Thomas Rous Bart. Edward Pitt. Nicholas Lechmere. John Bridges. Talbot Badger.

(5 Members.) All were supporters of Parliament at the time. Sir Thomas Rous, of Rouse Lench, son of the M.P. 1626, matric. Bras. Coll. Oxon., 20 Oct. 1626, aged 18, B.A. from Corpus Christi Coll., 31 Jan. 1628, ent. Middle Temple 1628, m. (1) Jane dau. of Sir John Ferrers, of Tamworth Castle, (2) Frances (who d. 20 June 1667, aged 28), dau. of David Murray, and (3) Anne—(who died 1667?) He was made a Baronet 23 July 1641, ordered by the House

of Commons to be added to the Committee for co. Worc. 20 Feb. 1645, H.S. 1648, an Assessment Commr. 1656, Custos Rotulorum 1656, J.P. 10 July 1660, M.P. co. Worc. 1654-5, 1656-8, Evesham April to Dec. 1660, presented to Rouse Lench 3 July 1663, 6 Aug. 1666, and d. 26 May 1676, aged 67. (M.I. Rouse Lench.)

Edward Pytt, of Kyre, eldest son of Sir James Pytt Knt., was b. 1606, m. Eliz. dau. of Sir Samuel Sandys, of Ombersley, (see 1609), sat for co. Worc. 1654-5, 1656-8, Bewdley Jan. to April 1659, Leominster April to Dec. 1660, H.S. co. Worc. 1633, J.P. 10 July 1660, a Commr. for disbanding and paying off the forces in co. Worc. 1660, and for raising money for the King there 1661, and d. at Kyre, 3 Nov. 1672, aged 66. From the following references it appears that Mr. Pytt was a royalist at heart, although like many others, circumstances forced him to hold office under the Commonwealth. The House of Commons ordered his Plate to be sold, 22 May 1643, (Commons Journal), yet he was a Sequestration Commr. for co. Worc. in 1643 and 1647, and was app. an Assessment Commr. 1656. On 22 July 1652 "Edw. Pytts begs discharge on the Act of Pardon. Was questioned in 1648 before the Committee for Sequestrations, and by them discharged. Was never sequestered, but in Feb. 1652 was questioned by the County Committee of Hereford. 22 July, the County Committee to certify if his estate was sequestered 1 Dec. 1651; if not, he is to be discharged." Deposition of Miles Hill, 12 Aug. 1654, "that one Edw. Pitt of Kyre, M.P. said publicly at Weobley that he would be hanged before he would be subject to any instrument in Parliament when the people had chosen him for their liberties, and he believed that instrument (the Lord Protector) would come to nothing."

Nicholas Lechmere, 3rd but eldest surviving son of Edmund L. of Hanley Castle, by Margaret, dau. of Sir Nicholas Overbury, of Bourton on the Hill, co. Gloucester (see Williams' Gloucestershire Members), was b. Sept. 1613, educ. at Glouc., matric. Wadham Coll. Oxon., 28 Jan. 1631, aged 17, scholar 1631, B.A, 14 Feb. 1634, ent. Middle Temple Oct. 1634, called to the bar in 1641, Bencher 1655, Lent Reader 1669, M.P. Bewdley, July 1648-53, co. Worc. 1654-5, 1656-8, Jan. to April 1659, a Rumper 1659, an Assessment Commr. 1644, 1656. He was present as one of the Parl. Committee for co. Worc. at the siege and surrender of Worcester, June and July 1646, app. a Militia Commr. for co. Worc., a member of the special Commission to try Welsh insurgents June 1651, added by Parl. to the High Court of Justice 25 June 1651, Attorney General of the Duchy of Lancaster 1654-60, licensed to practise within the bar in all the Courts at Westminster 15 July 1655, which license was renewed by Richard Cromwell 23 Oct. 1658, walked in the procession at Oliver Cromwell's funeral as Att. Gen. of the Duchy to which office he was re-app. two days before the dissolution of the Rump, April 1659, but in 1660 applied to the King while still at Bruxelles and received a full pardon.

for the sum of £200. He m. 1642 Penelope 4th dau. of Sir Edwin Sandys Knt., of Northbourne, Kent, and niece of the M.P. 1609, became Serjeant at law 1 May 1689, Knighted 31 Oct. 1689, a Baron of the Exchequer 4 May 1689 till he res. 23 June 1700, was one of the founders of Greenwich Hospital, and d. at Hanley Castle 30 April 1701, aged 87.

Col. John Bridges, of Alcester and Harcourt Hill co. Warwick, was an active soldier of the Parliament. He conveyed ammunition into Gloucester when besieged by the royalists April 1644, and took part in the siege of Worcester under Col. Edward Whalley, and was a Parl. Commr. to receive its surrender July 1646. On 11 May 1644 the Commons ordered John Bridges, Major of Fcot, to be added to the Committee of co. Worc., and on 30 March 1645 gave him a vote of thanks "for his great services," app. him Governor of Warwick Castle and Town 12 May 1645, and made him Colonel of Boseville's regiment of foot 24 June 1645. As Gov. of Warwick Castle, which post he held in Nov. 1644, he exercised great military authority in that and the adjoining counties. He was ordered to return his forces into winter quarters 25 Nov. 1646, and was "continued" as Gov. of Warwick Castle 25 March 1647, and still held the place in 1649, and afterwards served in Ireland. The Council of State made out a warrant to him 30 April 1650 to deliver two iron demi-culverins, lying useless at Lord Brooke's house in Holborn, to Col. Thomas Fitch, Gov. of Carlisle, On 22 May 1655 he "begs discharge of mills and 12 acres in Kidderminster, bought of Mary Lady Blount. Has served Paul faithfully and is now in service in Ireland. Was executor to Francis Greville late Lord Brooke ('fanatic Brooke' killed in storming Lichfield 1643), and himself discharged from his assessment 1 May 1644, having done good service as Governor, and paid an assessment in the county." 7 April 1657, "Petition of Col. John Bridges, Gov. of Kilmalloch, and a debenture for arrears for personal service, on an account stated by the Committee sitting at Worcester House, referred to the Irish Committee to report." 21 March 1660, "Warrant to pay him £ 100 for his expenses in Ireland where he is going on special service." Information was laid against him 22 Aug. 1649 that he had captured and concealed 25 waggons, many laden with plate and other treasure, belonging to the late King, and the memory of this lasted for several years. In June 1660 Sir Joseph Wagstaffe petitioned the King "that Col. John Bridges late Gov. of Warwick Castle, who detains £50,000 worth of the late King's money and goods, may be excepted out of the Act of Oblivion;" and the same month Charles Talbot laid information against him and others "for seizing the late King's carriages about the time of the Battles of Naseby and Edgehill." On 17 Aug. 1663 Lord Ashley reports that Bridges was "acquitted on a suit brought against him for detaining plate and household goods of the late King, but Capt. John Strode (Gov. of Dover Castle), thinks he can convict him. Lord Ashley advises him that Strode may be encouraged by a grant of the King's

moiety of what is discovered." 21 Aug. 1663, Warrant for a grant to Capt. Strode for a "moiety of what is taken and unaccounted for, and not pardoned by the Act of Indemnity." Col. Bridges soon after 1648 bought Hurcott near Kidderminster, from the well-known John Evelyn for £3,400, and about 1670 sold the patronage of the Church to Thomas Foley (see 1659). Col. Bridges was the eldest son of John B., of Alcester, co. Warwick, and Hackney, barrister at law, (by Elizabeth Holyoake,) and was b. 1610, and m. 1635 Mary dau. of Bartholomew Beale, of Walton, Salop. He was added to the Committee for dealing with Scandalous and Malignant Ministers in co. Worc. 24 Sept. 1652, and sat for co. Worc. 1654-5, and for co. Sligo and Roscommon 1656-8. His brother Brooke Bridges, Commr. of forfeited estates in Ireland, died 1700. Their great grandfather John Bridges, who was of an Irish family, settled at South Littleton, co. Worc. 1558, and subsequently purchased the Alcester estate. Col. Bridges' grandson was made a Baronet 1718, and the 5th Bart. was created Lord Fitz Walter 1868, which title expired 1875.

Talbot Badger, of Poole House, Hanley, son of John B. of that place, matric. Lincoln Coll. Oxon., 5 April 1639, aged 17, was a Parl. man, M.P. co. Worc. 1654-5, and app. an Assessment Commr. 1656. "By his holy and humble life he exercised much influence for good on his neighbours." Perhaps brother to Roland Badger, of Hanley Castle, who on 19 Jan. 1654 "begs to contract for two thirds of his estate on the late Recusants' Act. 11 Jan. 1655, complains of his sequestration for Recusancy on a bare suspicion, having lived quietly all the late troubles." Jane dau. and heir of Talbot Badger m. Anthony Young, of Henley, to whom she carried Pool House. Sir Thomas Badger Knt. was M.P. Stockbridge 1625, 1626, and Lostwithiel March 1628-9.

1656 Aug. James Berry.
Sir Thomas Rous.
Edward Pitt.
Nicholas Lechmere.
John Nanfan.

(5 Members.) Major General Berry, who was a friend of Richard Baxter, and appears to have been a man of some principle, was a clerk in some ironworks in Salop, at the outbreak of the Civil War in 1642, but joining the parliamentary forces, distinguished himself as an active soldier, and speedily attained to great power in the army, was Captain Lieutenant under Oliver Cromwell at the battle of Gainsborough 28 July 1643, distinguished himself at the battle of Preston, chosen by the army President of the Council of Adjustors in the disputes between the Army and the Parliament in 1647, and app. to suppress an intended rising in Nottinghamshire 1655, and made one of the 12 Major Generals instituted by Cromwell March 1655, and placed in command of cos. Monmouth, Hereford, Salop, and N. and S. Wales, but whose almost

despotic powers were greatly abridged by the Protector's measures Dec. 1656, little but the title being retained. He was elected M.P. for cos. Mon., Hereford, and Worcester 1656, but choosing the latter, represented it till made one of the Protector's House of Lords as Lord Berry 10 Dec. 1657, was app. one of the sub-committee on the business of the Fens 28 June 1653, served upon numerous committees, and was app, an Assessment Commr. for the county and city of Worcester 1656. being then an Alderman of Worcester. He joined the cabal against Richard Cromwell 1659, was added to the Council of State by order of Parliament 9 May 1659, app. one of the Council of State ordered to exist from 17 May to 1 Dec. 1659, was a member of the Committee of Safety and for the nomination of Officers July to Oct. 1659, (attended 11 meetings out of 16 in July), was one of the Committee for Dunkirk Sept. and Oct. 1659, one of the Parl. Commrs. for governing Ireland 1659, and app. by the Army a Commr. for the same purpose Jan. 1660. He was cashiered with the other Generals by Parl. 12 Oct. 1659, but on the army gaining the upper hand, was nominated by the army 28 Oct. 1650 one of the Council of Ten to constitute the Committee of Safety and for nominating Officers. Being with other officers suspected of designs against the Council, he was ordered by them "to repair to his house" 9 Jan. 1660, and they further ordered 14 Jan. "that he be secured for disobeying." He was attainted at the restoration, and being regarded as too dangerous a foe to be left at liberty, remained under restraint for years in one prison or another. A warrant issued to the lieutenant of the Tower "to receive Col. Berry into his custody, and keep him close prisoner," 18 May 1662, and on 25 July another warrant issued to the Gov. of Scarborough Castle, Sir Jordan Crosland, "to receive Col. Berry into custody for treasonable designs," and he was so received 30 Aug. 1662. Secretary Nicholas wrote to Sir Jordan, 14 April 1664, requesting that Col. Berry "be allowed so much liberty as may conduce to the benefit of his health," and in Oct. 1667, Berry who was then the only prisoner in the Castle, addressed a letter to the Governor, saying that he "hoped after nearly 8 years imprisonment and damage suffered in his estate, that he might have had liberty without making any tacit acknowledgment of guilt, or having any character put upon him. Has been passive in his sufferings hitherto, and shall endeavour to continne to do so, and not trouble him any further." Whether he continued a prisoner until his death is uncertain, but his friend Baxter in his Autobiography relates that on being released, "he became a gardener, and lived in a safer state than in all his greater." Another authority identifies him as second in command at Newton Butler in Ireland in 1689, and gives his death as taking place 9 May 1691, but this appears very improbable. (Dict. Nat. Biog.)

John Nanfan, of Birts Morton, eldest son of William N., of that place, m. Mary dau of Edward Fleet alias Walsgrave, of Worcester, was app. an Assessment Commr. for co. Worc. 1656, J.P. 10 July 1660,

M.P. 1656, but Cromwell would not let him take his seat so he returned to the country, unsucc. cont. the County 1659, and the City of Worcester 1661, presented to Birts Morton 1661, Pendoc 14 Aug. 1661 and 20 June 1668, and d. about 1677. On 28 June 1650 John Nanfan and three others, trustees of Sir Edward Golding, of Colston Bassett, Notts, and Eye, Suffolk, recusant, begged discharge from sequestration of Colston Bassett manor and other lands settled on them 8 Charles I. for 21 years for payment of debts.

1659. Jan. Nicholas Lechmere. —
Thomas Foley. —
John Talbot. —
John Nanfan. —

Lechmere and Foley, standing together, spent £614 on this election.

Thomas Foley, of Great Witley, the first of his family to sit in Parliament, was the eldest son by his 2nd wife of Richard Foley, of Stourbridge, iron manufacturer (who d. 6 July 1657, aged 77), and was b. 3 Dec. 1617. He actively pursued the iron industry of his native place, and thereby amassed a large fortune (£5,000 a year), and became a great landed proprietor and patron of several livings. He m. Anne, dau. and heir of John Browne, of Spelmonden, Kent, sat for co. Worcester Jan. to April 1659, and Bewdley April to Dec. 1660, was H.S. co. Worc. 1655, 1674, app. an Assessment Commr. 1656, presented to Witley 22 Feb. 1661, Sheldesley Walsh 25 June 1661, Old Swinford 17 May 1673, 22 May 1676, and d. at Witley (M.I.) 1 Oct. 1677, aged 59. He and Col. John Bridges (see 1654) presented to the Rump in 1659 a petition from Richard Baxter in favour of tithes and the ministry. Mr. Foley (said Baxter) was "a truly honest and religious man, who bought the advowson of Kidderminster." He founded a Hospital or Almshouse at Old Swinford 1667, endowing it with land producing £600 a year, and in 1889 this endowment had increased to £5,500. a year.

1660. April 11. Henry Bromley. John Talbot.

Henry Bromley, of Holt Castle, 3rd, but eldest surviving son of Henry B., who d. 1652 (son of Sir Henry who was son of the M.P. 1593), was b. 1632, matric. Ch. Ch., Oxon, 27 Nov. 1650, ent. Inner Temple Nov. 1653, m. 16 May 1654, Mercy, dau. of Edmund Pytts, of Kyre, was M.P. co. Worc. April to Dec. 1660, an Assessment Commr. 1656, J.P. 10 July 1660, a Knight of the Royal Oak 1660, (his estate worth £1,000 a year), presented to Holt 27 Aug. 1663, and d. 30 Sept. 1670, aged 38. (M.I. Holt).

John Talbot, of Lacock, Wilts. and Salwarp, was the eldest son of Sherrington Talbot, of those places, (a Knight of the Royal Oak

1660.) He m. Elizabeth, eldest dau. of Sir John Keyt, sat for co. Worc. (where he failed 1659), April to Dec. 1660, Knaresborough 1661-79, Chippenham Feb. to July 1679, Ludgershall Feb. to March 1681, Devizes 1685-7, Knighted 6 June 1660, made Ensign of a company of Foot under — Gray 26 Jan. 1661, Capt. of a company of H.M.'s Own Regt. of Foot Guards Feb. 1661-72, Lt.-Col. of the Barbadoes regt. of Dragoons 30 March 1672-4 when it was disbanded, Col. of a regt. of Dragoons 22 Feb. 1678-9 (when disbanded), Capt. of an Independent Troop of Horse raised at Hounslow 18 June 1685, and on its incorporation with the Earl of Peterborough's regt. of Horse he became Lt.-Col. thereof 24 July 1685, Col. of Horse 21 Sept. 1685, was encamped with the army on Hounslow Heath 30 June 1686, Col. of the Queen Dowager's regt. of Horse 29 Jan. 1687, but res. his command 20 Dec. 1688. (Dalton's Army Lists). Sir John was made J.P. co. Worc. 10 July 1660, adm. an Hon. Freeman of Worcester 1683, was second to his kinsman Francis 11th Earl of Shrewsbury in the duel with George Duke of Buckingham 1667, (when the Earl was killed), and died at a great age in Feb. 1714.

1661. April 10. Sir John Packington Bt. (see 1640). Samuel Sandys sen.

Eldest son of Sir Edwin Sandys of Ombersley who d. 1623, and grandson of the M.P. 1609, born 1615, m. (1) Mary (living in 1646) only dau. of Dr. Hugh Barker, Dean of the Arches, (2) Eliz. widow of Col. Henry Washington, (Gov. of Worcester 1646), and only sister of his colleague Sir John Pakington, was M.P. Droitwich March to May 1640 and Oct. 1640 till disabled to sit for his loyalty Aug. 1642, co. Worc. 1661-81, Droitwich April to Dec. 1660 and Feb. to March 1681, adm. an Honorary Freeman of Worcester 1643, presented to Ombersley 11 May 1644, nom. a Knight of the Royal Oak 1660, (his estate worth £1,000 a year), signed the County address to the King of peace and forgiveness to the Roundheads 8 May 1660, J.P. co. Worc. 10 July 1660, and d. 1685, being then a burgess of Droitwich. Col. Sandys was a famous cavalier and saw much service in the Civil War. He marched with the Earl of Bristol's forces to Brentford 1642, commanded a troop of Horse at the Battles of Wickfield and Edgehill 1642, and being commissioned by the King to command the Horse of co. Worc., and app. Governor of Evesham and Hartlebury Castle 21 July 1642, he raised a regt. of infantry and a regt. of cavalry without the least charge to the King, and kept them in constant pay until the end of the war. He was Lieut.-Gov. of Worcester under Prince Maurice in 1644, and General of H.M.'s Dominions of Wales. and was taken prisoner at Worcester 19 July 1646. On 1 June 1646 he "compounds for delinquency, being a Colonel under the King and sometimes Gov. of Worcester, both of which offices he voluntarily left," and on 13 June was fined £2,090, of which he paid £1,445. these sacrifices however the greater part of his estate was spent, and at the Restoration the only compensative allowed him was £6,000 out of the Excise of Devonshire." (Burke's Peerage). The Seasonable Argument for a New Parliament 1677, on the other hand, says that "a Boon was given him in the Excise which he sold for £135,000." He was assessed at £800 on 17 Dec. 1646, and his estate ordered to be sequestered for non-payment thereof 8 March 1648, but owing to his remonstrances he was ordered 10 May to produce a catalogue of his debts, and "if they reach £30,000 his assessment to be discharged. 21 June 1648, his assessment discharged, it appearing by his particulars that he is £25,000 in debt." In the Bewdley Warden's Accounts for 1643, appears this item—"Pd. for a quart of sack and quart of Claret for Col. Sandes—28. 8d."

1679. Feb. 19. Samuel Sandys. Thomas Foley.

Mr. Foley was of Witley Court, eldest son of Thomas F. (see 1659), ent. Inner Temple Nov. 1657, m. Eliz., dau. of Edward Ashe, of Heytesbury, Wilts, presented to Kidderminster 18 Oct. 1677, Great Sheldersley 23 May 1682, Pedmore 24 Feb. 1686, 5 March 1699, sat for co. Worc. 1679-81, 1689-98, and for Droitwich Jan. 1699 till his death Feb. 1701.

1679. Sept. 3. The same.

1681. Feb. 16. Thomas Foley. Bridges Nanfan.

Of Birts Morton, son and heir of John N. (see 1656), born 1623, matric. Ball. Coll. Oxon. 15 May 1640, aged 16, ent. Inner Temple Nov. 1647, m. Catherine, dau. and co-heir of Sir George Hastings Knt. (brother to Henry, Earl of Huntingdon), sat for co. Worc. 16 Feb. to 28 March 1681 (when this short Parl. was dissolved), and for Worcester 1685-7, presented to Birts Morton 22 Dec. 1703, and d. 4 June 1704, aged 81. On 2 May 1651 he "begs to compound for delinquency in the first war, not being sequestered but discovered by Lady Moore," and on 22 July was fined at one-sixth, £80.

1685. April 8. Sir John Packington Bart. T. James Pytts. T.

Sir John Pakington, of Westwood, eldest son of the M.P. 1640, whom he succ. as 3rd Bart. 13 Jan. 1681, matric. Ch. Ch. Oxon. 3 May 1662, aged 13, was licensed 30 Nov. 1668 to marry Margaret, dau. of Sir John Keyt Bart., of Iberton, co. Glouc., was a burgess of Droitwich in 1683, M.P. co. Worc. 1685-7, lived a retired life, and was buried 28 March 1688.

James Pytts of Netherwood, Ivington, and Kynnersley Castle, co. Hereford and Kyre Park, was the only surviving son of Edward P.

(see 1654), b. 1632, m. (1) Lucy dau. and co-heir of Wm. Smallman M.P., of Kynnersley Castle, (see Williams' Herefordshire Members), and (2) Anne (who d. 1714), eldest dau. of Sir John Fettiplace 1st Bt. of Childrey, Berks. He sat for Weobley April to Sept. 1660, when unseated on petition, Leominster Feb. to July 1679, co. Worc. 1685-7, was app. an Assessment Commr. for co. Hereford 1656, a Commr. for disbanding and paying off the forces there 1660, and for raising £1,166 13s. 4d. for the King there 1661, and d.s.p., having made his will 1685. In 1658 Edward Pytt of Keere, James Pytt and Lucy his wife, sold Kynnersley Castle to Sir Thomas Morgan Bt. for £5,700. Mrs. Anne Pytts survived her husband 30 years, and was conspicuous for piety and benevolence. She founded and endowed almshouses at Kyre for poor widows, with allowance for a chaplain, and a free school at Swinbrook, Oxon. for the education of poor children, with an allowance to the schoolmaster for ever.

1689. Jan. 15. Sir James Rushout Bart. W. Thomas Foley. W.

Sir James Rushout of Maylards in Havering, Essex, son of John R. a native of France who settled in England temp. Charles I., was b. 22 March 1644, matric. Ch. Ch. Oxon. 5 Dec. 1660, aged 16, created M.A. 12 Sept. 1661, m. Alice dau. and heir of Edward Pitt of Harrow on the Hill, and widow of Edward 2nd son of Sir Geoffrey Palmer 1st Bart. Attorney General, was created a Baronet 17 July 1661, M.P. Evesham Feb. 1670-81, and 1690-8, co. Worc. 1689-90, presented to Swell Upper, co. Glouc. 1697, app. Ambassador Extraordinary to the Grand Seigneur of Turkey May 1697, and died Feb. 1698, (bur. at Northwick), "just as he was going to set out for Turkey."

1690. March 5. Sir John Packington Bart. T. Thomas Foley. W.

Sir John Pakington of Westwood, eldest son of the M.P. 1685, whom he succ. as 4th Bart. March 1688, was b. 16 March 1671, matric. St. John's Coll. Oxon. 11 Oct. 1688, aged 17, m. (1) Frances dau of Sir Henry Parker Bt. of Hunnington, co. Warwick, (see Evesham 1679), and (2) was licensed 26 Aug. 1700 to marry Hester, dau. and heir of Sir Herbert Perrott Knt., M.P., of Haroldston, co. Pembroke, (see Williams' Parl. Hist. of Wales). Sir John who also unsucc cont. and pet. at Droitwich 1690, was chosen for co. Worc. at the age of 19 in 1690, and sat till 1695, and again, in spite of the powerful opposition brought against him, 1698-1727, and died (four weeks after the dissolution of Parl.) 13 Aug. 1727, and was bur. at Hampton Lovett. He was a strenuous asserter of the rights and liberties of the country, and on 18 Nov 1702 complained to the House of Commons that William Lloyd, Bishop of Worcester, and his son had interfered in the election for the country of Worcester in

1702, by sending threatening letters to the clergy and freeholders, and aspersing his conduct in Parliament. The House, after hearing evidence, resolved that the Bishop and his son were guilty of a breach of privilege, and ordered the Attorney General to prosecute the son, while upon their humble address, the Queen removed the Bishop from being her Almoner. Bishop Lyttelton said that Sir John had a secret pension of £500 a year, charged upon the Salt Office. He presented to Hampton Lovet 4 May 1699.

1695. Nov. 6. Thomas Foley. W. Edwyn Sandys. W.

Eldest son of Samuel Sandys, of Ombersley (see Droitwich 1660), and grandson of the M.P. 1661, b. 1649, became Cornet of Sir Henry Wroth's Troop of the regt. of Horse Guards 13 June 1664, Lieut. to Sir Henry Jones in the Earl of Oxford's regt. 9 Sept. 1670, Capt. in the Earl of Oxford's regt. (vice Sir Charles Lyttelton, see Bewdley 1685), 4 Oct. 1674, and was Capt. in the Royal Regt. of Horse Guards in Oct. 1684. (Dalton's Army Lists). He m. Alice, dau. of Sir James Rushout Bt., of Blockley (see 1689), sat for co. Worc. 1695-8, and d.v.p. 1699, aged 40. He was father of Lord Sandys (see Worcester 1718).

1698. Aug. 10. Sir John Packington. T. William Walsh. W.

Elder son of Joseph Walsh, of Abberley, (grandson of William W., brother to the M.P. 1593), matric. Wadham Coll. Oxon. 14 May 1678, aged 15, ent. Middle Temple 1679, was an author, poet, and critic, and a great friend of Pope. He was Gentleman of the Horse to Q. Anne 1702-8, M.P. co. Worc. 1698-1700 Dec., Jan. to Oct. 1701 (defeated and petitioned Nov. 1701), 1702-5 (when defeated), and Richmond 1705 till his death s.p. at Marlborough, Wilts, 15 March 1708.

1701. Jan. 22. The same.

1701. Nov. 26. William Bromley. T. —
Sir John Packington. T. —
William Walsh. W. —

Mr. Walsh petitioned against Pakington 3 Jan. 1702. William Bromley, of Holt Castle, only surviving son of the M.P. 1660, b. 26 June 1656, matric. Ch. Ch. Oxon. 7 July 1673, aged 17, ent. Middle Temple 1674, m. Margaret, dau. and co-heir of Sir Rowland Berkeley, of Cotheridge, (see Worcester 1661), presented to Malvern Magna 15 April 1692, 5 Oct. 1698, 17 Feb. 1701, sat for Worcester 1685-7, 1689-1700, and for co. Worc. 1701-2, and 1705 until his death in 1707, aged 50. (M.I. Holt). His grandson, Henry Bromley M.P. was created Lord Montfort 1741.

1702. Aug. 5. Sir J. Packington. T. William Walsh. W.

1705. May 23. William Bromley. T. 2125. Sir J. Packington. T. 1814.

William Walsh. W. 1692.

1707. Dec. 3. Sir Thomas Cookes Winford Bt. of Glashampton and Norgrove, vice Bromley dec. Eldest son of Henry W., of Glashamton, who d. 1685, by Mercy, sister and heir of Sir Thomas Cookes 2nd Bart. of Bentley and Norgrove, founder of Worcester Coll. Oxon., m. (1) Beata, yst. dau. of Sir Henry Parker 2nd Bt. (see Evesham 1679), and (2) Eliz., dau. of Rev. Thomas Wilmot, of Bromsgrove. He succ. his Uncle Sir Thomas Winford (who was made a Baronet 3 July 1702), as 2nd Bart. 22 Sept. 1702, sat for co. Worc. 1707-10, adm. an Hon. Freeman of Worcester 1710, and d.s.p. 19 Jan. 1744, when the title expired.

1708. May 19. Sir J. Packington. T. Sir T. C. Winford. W.

1710. Oct. 18. Sir J. Pakington. T. Samuel Pytts. T.

Of Kyre, son of James Pytts, of Wick and Cotheridge, matric. New Coll. Oxon. 17 April 1689, aged 15, m. (1) Frances, dau. of Samuel Sandys, of Ombersley (see Droitwich 1660), and (2) Catherine (who d. 18 Dec. 1702, aged 28), dau. of Sir James Rushout Bt. (see 1689), and (3) Catherine, dau. and heir of Bridges Nanfan of Birtsmorton (see 1681), and widow of the 1st Earl of Bellamont (see Droitwich 1689). He succ. his cousin James Pytt M.P. (see Williams' Herefordshire Members) in the Kyre estates, was H.S. co. Worc. 1705, M.P. Hereford Dec. 1609-1700 Dec., co. Worc. 1710-15, when defeated, a Lord Commr. of Trade and Foreign Plantations Sept. 1713-14 Sept., was lord of the manor of Kyre, bought the manor of Stoke Bliss about 1690, presented to Kyre (? 17 Nov. 1690, and) 18 Nov. 1704, and to the Herefordshire livings of Thornbury 1607, 1708, and Collington 1703, was adm. an Hon. Freeman of Worcester 1714, and d. 29 Jan. 1729. There are pictures of him by Vanderbank at Kinlet and Kyre. Samuel Pytts left an only son (see 1741), and an only dau. Catherine, whose great grandson William Lacon Childe M.P. of Kinlet succeeded to the Kyre estates in 1832.

Letter from G. Pauncefort, Esq. (sealed with the arms of Pauncefort) endorsed, "These to Samuel Pytt Esq. att Kier in Worcestershire."

SIR,—I must owne that when by yr present Parliament and the supplies they gave wee were so successful against our enemies I could not imagine there was any reason to dissolve them presently. And therefore I did not doe myselfe the honor of answering yours until this

time. But seeing there are endeavours in soe many places for members I think it proper to stirr for a person I have an opinion will act for the good of this country. A gentleman that stood for Worcestershire was so very uneasy under a solemn promise hee made as to his prejudice to break it. But when I consider that you have an ample fortune, a family and soe much compasse of mind as to be for preserving the constitution and transmitting it to posterity and that you had rather be esteemed a person of honor and sincerity than among those that are for all that believe them I think my vote and small interest is very safe in serving you and shall be heartily employed in it, and I am with great respect your reall friend & servant."

G. PAUNCEFORT.

I return you many thanks for your kindnesse to my tenant Maullin & I will write to & any otherwise engage. Mr. Blackmore and Mr. Spilsbury & any others that I think may serve you.

1713. Sept. 16. The same.

1715. Feb. 2. Sir J. Pakington T. 1970.

Thomas Vernon W. 1802.

Samuel Pytts T. 1676.

Pakington and Vernon though of different politics stood jointly against Pytts. 3424 voted at this election, the Plumpers being, for Pakington 56, Vernon 1313, Pytts 31. Thomas Vernon of Hanbury, lord of the manor of Feckenham, was eldest son and heir of Rev. Richard V. of Hanbury Hall, born 25 Nov. 1654, called to the bar at the Middle Temple 167-, and m. 1679 Mary dau. of Sir Anthony Keck Knt. (a Commr. of the Great Seal 1690). He practised in the Court of Chancery for 40 years, and was considered the ablest man in his profession. He built Hanbury Hall about 1710, presented to Shrawley 7 Sept. 1711, was adm. an Hon. Freeman of Worcester 1715, (being then a Commr. for building the bridge across the Thames from Fulham to Putney), and sat for co. Worc. 1715 till his death s.p. 6 Feb. 1721, aged 67. (M.I. Hanbury Church). Mr. Vernon who made a good deal of money in the law, lived in Lincoln's Inn Fields. By his will, (which was made 17 Jan. 1711, and proved March 1721), he left a charity of £18 to the poor of Shrawley. His Reports of Cases in Chancery 1681-1718, were printed by order of the Court of Chancery 1726, 1728. In the poem Corona Civica, addressed to the Lord Keeper 1706, appeared these lines:—

"Experienced Vernon joy'd your worths success, Polite his manner, winning his Address, Strong to confute, and easie to express, Causes unnumbered, no Fatigue create. To his vers'd mind, nor has the Burden weight. A look serene his clear Discernment shows, Law has no puzzling doubt to knit his Brows; Secure of fame he files a loftier Fate, Content with riches in a Safer State."

A Banner, (still preserved at Hanbury Hall), with a portrait of King George I. and a view of the Cathedral of Worcester, and the river Severn with ships, (painted by Sir James Thornhill M.P.), evidently for electioneering purposes, is inscribed with "For his most excellent Majesty King George, For Peace and the Church of England as by law Established. For trade, and the good of our Country.

THOMAS VERNON."

The statement (in *Noble's Biographical Dictionary*) that this Mr. Vernon was Secretary to the unfortunate Duke of Monmouth, is believed to be incorrect.

1721. March 6. Sir Thomas Lyttelton Bt. of Frankley, vice Vernon dec. Only son of Sir Charles L. (see Bewdley 1685), whom he succ. as 4th Bart. 2 May 1716, m. Christian (a Maid of Honour to Queen Anne), dau. of Sir Richard Temple Bart of Stowe, Bucks, and sister and co.-heir of Richard Viscount Cobham, was M.P. co. Worc. 1721-34, Camelford 1734-41, a Lord of the Admiralty (£1,300 a year, with lodging fire and candle), May 1727-41, adm. an Hon. Freeman of Worcester 1717, presented to Hales Owen 1 Feb. 1719, 2 Jan. 1731, Sept. 1731, to Hagley 11 Sept. 1732, and to Churchill 26 Oct. 1719, and 5 Jan. 1728, and d. 14 Sept. 1751, when he bequeathed £100 to the Foundling Hospital. His 3rd son Charles was Bishop of Carlisle 1762-9.

1722. April 6. Sir T. Lyttelton. W. Sir J. Pakington. T.

1727. June 7. Sir T. Lyttelton, re-el. on taking office.

1727. Aug. 30. Sir T. Lyttelton. W. Sir H. P. Pakington T.

Sir Herbert Perrott Pakington of Westwood, only son of the M.P. 1690, whom he succ. as 5th Bart. 13 Aug. 1727, m. 1721 Eliz. dau. of John Conyers of Walthamstow, Essex, and widow of Herbert Wylde of Ludlow, was adm. an Hon. Freeman of Worcester 1721, sat for co. Worc. 1727-41, voted against Walpole, and d. at Leyden 24 Sept. 1748. The title became extinct on the death of his grandson Sir John P. 8th Bt. 6 Jan. 1830.

1734. May 1. Sir H. P. Pakington. T. Edmund Lechmere. W.

Of Hanley Castle, son of Anthony L. (see Bewdley 1710), and nephew to Nicholas Lord Lechmere, (see Williams' Gloucestershire Members). B. April 1710, m. (1) Eliz. dau. of Sir Blundell Charlton 3rd Bt. of Ludford, co. Hereford, by Mary sister of the 1st Lord Foley (see Droitwich 1698), and (2) Eliz. dau. of Rev. John Whitmore of Fenny Compton, co. Warwick, sat for co. Worc. 1734-47, voted

(though a Whig) against Walpole and the Convention 1739, came into a considerable fortune on Lady Lechmere's death, April 1739, was J.P. co. Worc., H.S. Jan. 1733, nom a Dep Lieut. 3 Feb. 1763, presented to Hanley Castle 10 Feb. 1725, 17 Oct. 1767, and to Eldersfield 22 June 1732, and d. 29 March 1805, within a few days of completing his 95th year.

1741. May 20. Edmund Lechmere W. 2309. Edmund Pytts T. 2120. Vicount Deerhurst T. 1930. George Lyttelton W. 1412.

Edmund Pytts of Kyre, only surviving son of the M.P. 1710, by his 2nd wife, was b. 1695, and m. (1) 1726 Susanna (who d. 2 April 1742) only dau. and heir of Admiral Jonathan Collett, of Upton, Sussex (who bequeathed his large fortune to her 2nd son Jonathan). He m. (2) 12 Dec. 1752 (though the marriage settlement is dated 1750) Anne dau. of Sir Streynsham Master Knt. of Codnor Castle, co. Derby, and widow of Gilbert 4th Earl of Coventry. She made an excellent stepmother to his numerous children, and d. at Holt Castle 1788, aged 96, enjoying perfect memory and good health to the last. Mr. Pytts was adm. an Hon. Freeman of Worcester 1724, succ. his father in the Kyre estates 1728, presented to Kyre 23 December 1746, and sat for co. Worc. 1741 till his death 24 Nov. 1753. (The MSS. list of freeholders and Poll Books of the election of 1741, are still preserved at Kyre).

Thomas Henry Coventry, commonly called Lord Viscount Deerhurst, eldest son of Wm. 5th Earl of Coventry, unsucc. co. Worc. 1741, but sat for Bridport April 1742 till his death 20 May 1744, aged 23.

George Lyttelton, eldest son of the M.P. 1721, was born 1709, Secretary to the Prince of Wales Oct. 1737-44, a Lord of the Treasury Dec. 1744-54, P.C. 1754, Cofferer of the Household March 1754-5, Chancellor of the Exchequer Nov. 1755-6 Nov., sat for Oakhampton March 1735-56, also elected for Old Sarum 1741, and Downton 1747, created Lord Lyttelton 19 Nov. 1757, F.R.S. Feb. 1754, and d. 25 Aug. 1773.

1747. July 8. Viscount Deerhurst. T. Edmund Pytts. T.

George William (Coventry) Viscount Deerhurst, 2nd son of Wm. 5th Earl Coventry, b. 26 April 1722, educ. at Winchester School, matric. Univ. Coll. Oxon. 6 July 1737, cr. M.A. 20 Nov. 1739, succ. his eldest brother Thomas (see 1741), in the courtesy title of Viscount Deerhurst 20 May 1744, at for Bridport Dec. 1744-7, and co. Worc. 1747 till he succ. his father as 6th Earl of Coventry 18 March 1751. He m. (1) 5 March 1752 Maria (who d. 30 Sept. 1760), one of "the beautiful Miss Gunnings," eldest dau. of John Gunning, of Castle Coote, co. Ros-

common, and sister to the Duchess of Hamilton, and (2) 27 Sept. 1764, Hon. Barbara St. John, dau. of Lord St. John of Bletsoe. His Lordship was a Lord of the Bedchamber to the King Nov. 1752-70, Lord Lieut. and Cus. Rot. of co. Worc. 17 June 1751-1808, adm. an Hon. Freeman of Worcester 1746, Recorder of Coventry 1774, and of Worcester (in 1796), presented to Perton 1762, Grafton 18 Feb. 1754, 25 Sept. 1774, and Severn Stoke 22 Aug. 1775, and d. 3 Sept. 1809, being bur. in New Church, Croome, which had been built at his expense.

1751. April 10. Hon. John Bulkeley Coventry, vice his brother Viscount Deerhurst, called to the House of Lords. Third and yst. son of Wm. 5th Earl of Coventry, b. 21 March 1724, matric. Univ. Coll. Oxon. 23 April 1740, aged 16, adm. an Hon. Freeman of Worcester 1746, M.P. co. Worc. 1751-61, assumed the additional surname of Bulkeley by Act of Parliament, and d. 16 March 1801.

1753. Dec. 26. Edmund Pytts of Kyre, vice his father dec. Eldest son of the M.P. 1741, was born 1729, adm. an Hon. Freeman of Worcester 1746, M.P. co. Worc. 1753-61, H.S. 1771, presented to Thornbury, co. Hereford 1760, and to Kyre 31 Aug. 1759, 24 Feb. 1761, 10 June 1776, was lord of the manor of Kyre, and d. unm. 13 Dec. 1781, aged 52. He greatly altered Kyre House, and laid out the extensive shrubberies with large sheets of water, and ornamental and rare trees. There are two pictures of him at Kyre, and also very fine ones of his brothers Jonathan and Samuel. He was succ. at Kyre by his brother Jonathan who m. Anna Bella dau. of Edmund Chamberlayne of Maugersbury, co. Glouc. (by Elizabeth dau. and co-heir of Sir Robert Atkyns, author of the History of Gloucestershire). He was H.S. co. Worc. 1783, sold the Ivington estate 1802, and d. 1807, leaving the Kyre estates to his widow who survived him till 1832, for her life, and afterwards strictly settled upon his cousin, William Lacon Childe, M.P. of Kinlet, his nearest relative, (his two brothers and three sisters having died without surviving issue). On the death of Mr. Lacon Childe in 1881, the Kyre estates devolved upon his son, the Rev. Prebendary Edward George Balwyn Childe, the present owner.

1754. April 17. Hon. J. B. Coventry. T. Edmund Pytts T.

1761. April 8. Hon. John Ward. T. William Dowdeswell. W.

The former was the son of John (6th Lord Ward, created 23 April 1763) Viscount Dudley and Ward, b. at Wolverhampton 22 Feb. 1724, matric. Oriel Coll. Oxon. 7 Feb. 1743, aged 18, cr. M.A., 10 Dec. 1745, Hon. D.C.L. Camb. 3 July 1769, nom. D.L. co. Worc. 3 Feb. 1763, M.P. Marlborough 1754-61, co. Worc. 1761 till he succ. his father as 2nd Viscount Dudley and Ward 6 May 1774, voted against

Wilkes 1769, Recorder of Kidderminster 1774-88, m. Mrs. Baker by special license 12 July 1788, and d.s.p. 20 Oct. following.

William Dowdeswell of Pull Court, eldest son (by his 2nd wife) of William D. who d. 1728, b. 1720, matric. Ch. Ch. Oxon. 2 April 1737, aged 16, educ. at Westminster School (of which he was a Busby Trustee 1769-75), ent. Leyden Univ. 1745, made the usual tour through France, Germany, and Italy, m. 15 Nov. 1747 Bridget dau. of Sir William Codrington 1st Bt. of Dodington, co. Glouc., was Chancellor and Under Treasurer of the Exchequer, and a Lord of the Treasury July 1765 to Aug. 1766, P.C. 10 July 1765, voted for Wilkes 1769, M.P. Tewkesbury 1747-54, and co. Worc. 1761 till his death at Nice 3 March 1775, bur. in Bushley Church 9 April. Mr. Dowdeswell was the leader of the Whigs in the House of Commons 1765-75.

1766. Jan. 8. Rt. Hon. W. Dowdeswell, re-el. on taking office.

1768. March 30. Hon. John Ward. Rt. Hon. W. Dowdeswell.

1774. May. 30. Edward Foley, of Whitley Court, vice Ward, called to the Upper House. Second son of Thomas 1st Lord Foley (see Droitwich 1741), b. 16 March 1747, matric. Bras. Coll. Oxon. 27 Oct. 1764, cr. M.A. 3 Feb. 1768, became Honourable by courtesy 20 May 1776, m. (1) 19 Oct. 1778 Lady Anne Margaret Coventry, 2nd dau. of George 6th Earl of Coventry (see 1747), and (2) 21 March 1790 Eliza Mary Foley, dau. aud heir of John Hodgetts, of Prestwood, sat for Droitwich 1768-74, when he res. to stand for co. Worc., which he rep. till his death at Stoke Edith 22 June 1803. He was Lord of the Manor of Kidderminster in 1781, High Steward of Kidderminster 1793-1802, Recorder of Droitwich May 1793-1803, and presented to the Herefordshire livings of Dormington 1782, and Mordiford 1801.

1774. Oct. 17. Rt. Hon. W. Dowdeswell. W. Edward Foley. W.

1775. March 22. William Lygon, of Madresfield, vice Dowdeswell dec. Only son of Reginald Pyndar, who d. 1788, having taken the name of Lygon by Act of Parl. on becoming heir to the Madresfield property, through his mother Margaret Lygon, great grand-daughter of the M.P. 1588. He was b. 25 July 1747, matric. Ch. Ch. Oxon. 2 May 1764, m. 1 Nov. 1780 Catherine, only dau. of James Denn, sat for co. Worc. 1775 till created Lord Beauchamp 26 Feb. 1806, further created Earl Beauchamp 1 Dec. 1815, and d. 21 Oct. 1816. He and his colleague Edward Foley advanced £250 each towards building Bewdley Bridge 1801.

1780. Sept. 27. Hon. Edward Foley. W. William Lygon. W.

1784. April 7. The same, re-el. 24 June 1790 3: May 1796, 12 July 1802. Mr. Lygon supported Pitt in 1784, and afterwards became a Tory. As is well-known a considerable change took place in political opinions at the time of the French Revolution.

July 18. Hon. John William Ward, vice Foley dec. Only son of Wm. 3rd Viscount Dudley and Ward (see Worcester 1780), and nephew of the M.P. 1761, b. 9 Aug. 1781, matric. Oriel Coll. Oxon. 17 Oct. 1700, B.A. from Corpus Christi Coll. 1802, M.A. 1813, commanded the Dudley Volunteers in 1806, M.P. Downton 1802-3 July, when he res. to stand for co. Worc., which he rep. 1803-6, Wareham, 1807-12, Ilchester 1812-18, when defeated, and Bossiney 1820 till he succ. his father as 4th Viscount Dudley and Ward 25 April 1823. His Lordship declined the office of Under Secretary to Mr. Canning the Foreign Secretary in 1822, but succ. him as Sec. of State for Foreign Affairs April 1827 to May 1828, when he resigned, was sworn a Privy Councillor 30 April 1827, Recorder of Kidderminster 1823-33, F.R.S., created Earl of Dudley 5 Oct. 1827, and d. unm. 6 March 1833, when the Earldom and Viscountcy expired, but the Barony of Ward devolved upon his 2nd cousin as 10th Lord Ward, whose son was created Earl of Dudley 1860.

1806. March 3. Hon. W. B. Lygon. T. 1502. *Hon. W. H. Lyttelton. W.* 1145.

vice his father, William Lygon, created a Peer. The poll was kept open 7 days. The Hon William Beauchamp Lygon, of Madresfield, eldest son of the M.P. 1775, b. 1782, educ. at Westminster, matric. Ch. Ch. Oxon. 28 Jan. 1801, aged 18, B.A. 1804, M.A. 1808, became Viscount Elmley by courtesy 1 Dec. 1815, was a Commr. for the issue of Exchequer Bills in the City in 1813 and 1816, sat for co. Worc. 1806 till he succ. his father as 2nd Earl Beauchamp 21 Oct. 1816, and d. unm. 12 May 1823, aged 41.

1806. Nov. 7. Hon. W. B. Lygon. Hon. William Henry Lyttelton.

Only son by his 2nd wife of the 1st Lord Lyttelton (see Bewdley 1748), b. 3 April 1782, matric. Ch. Ch. Oxon. 24 Oct 1798, B.A. 1802, M.A. 1805, student till 1812, cr. D.C.L. 5 July 1810, m. 4 March 1813 Lady Sarah Spencer (Lady of the Bedchamber to the Queen), dau. of George John 2nd Earl Spencer, and sister to the M.P. 1831. He unsucc. cont. co. Worc. March 1806, but rep. it Nov. 1806-20, succ. his half brother George Fulke (see Bewdley 1790), as 3rd Lord Lyttelton 12 Nov. 1828, and was Lord Lieut. and Custos Rotulorum of co. Worc. from May 1833, and High Steward of Bewdley from 1828, till his death 30 April 1837.

1807. May 12. The same, re-el. 12 Oct. 1812.

Dec. 5. Hon. Henry Beauchamp Lygon, of Springfield, 1816. vice his eldest brother Viscount Elmley become a Peer. Third son of the M.P. 1775, b. 5. Jan. 1784, matric. Ch. Ch. Oxon. 27 Jan. 1803, and m. 8 July 1824 Lady Susan Caroline Eliot, dau. of Wm. 2nd Earl of St. Germans. He ent. the Army as Cornet 13th Light Dragoons 12 July 1803, and became Lieut. thereof 24 May 1804, Capt. 16th Light Dragoons 12 Feb. 1807, Major thereof 7 May 1812, and served with that regiment in the Peninsula 1809-10, and Feb. 1814 till the close of the war, including the capture of Oporto, the battle of Talavera, and the passage of Coa, was severely wounded in Massena's advance to the battle of Busaco, and Lord Wellington in his despatch dated Celorico 29 Aug. 1810, writes, "The enemy attacked our picquets twice yesterday in the morning, but feebly, and they were repulsed. Capt. Lygon of the 16th Light Dragoons, was wounded in the morning." He became and Major (with rank of Lt.-Col.) in the 1st Life Guards 18 June 1815, Lt.-Col. thereof 17 July 1821-37, Col. in the army 24 March 1822, Major Gen. 10 Jan. 1837, Lt. Gen. 9 Nov. 1846, Gen. 20 June 1854, Col. of the 10th Hussars 23 June 1843, Col. of the and Life Guards and Gold Stick in Waiting to the Queen 18 April 1863, M.P. co. Worc. 1816-31, when he lost his seat, and W. Worcestershire 1832 till 22 Jan. 1853, when he succ. his brother John as 4th Earl Beauchamp. His Lordship was made D.L. co. Worc. 1 Feb. 1832, received the silver war medal with one clasp 1849, was app. a Member of the Court of Inquiry into the Administration of the British Army in the Crimea 25 Feb. 1856, was patron of 4 livings, and d. 8 Sept. 1863.

1818 June 22. Hon. W. H. Lyttelton. W. Hon. H. B. Lygon. T.

1820. March. 13. Hon. H. B. Lygon. T. Sir T. E. Winnington Bt. W.

Sir Thomas Edward Winnington of Stanford Court, eldest son Sir Edward W. (see Droitwich 1777), whom he succ. as 3rd Bart. 9 Jan. 1805, b. 1780, educ. at Eton, matric. Ch. Ch. Oxon. 6 Feb. 1798, aged 18, m. 11 Nov. 1810 Joanna 2nd dau. of John Taylor of Moseley Hall, was H.S. co. Worc. 1806, M.P. Droitwich 1807-16 when he res. and 1831-2, co. Wor. 1820-30, Bewdley 1832-7, and d. 22 Sept. 1839.

1826. June 15. The same.

1830. Aug. 5. Hon. H. B. Lygon. T. Hon. Thomas Henry Foley. W.

Of Whitley Court, eldest son of Thomas 3rd Lord Foley, b. in London 11 Dec. 1808, sat for co. Worc. 1830-2, and W. Worcestershire 1832 till he succ. his father as 4th Lord Foley 16 April 1833. He m.

16 July 1849, Lady Mary Charlotte Fitzalan-Howard, eldest dau. of Henry 16th Duke of Norfolk, was patron of 7 livings, Lord Lieut. of co. Worc. May 1837-9, Recorder of Droitwich 1833-36, High Steward of Kidderminster 1833-69, sworn P.C. 29 May 1833, and was Captain of the Gentlemen at Arms May 1833-4 Dec., May 1835-41 Sept., July 1846-52 Feb., Dec. 1852-8 Feb., June 1859-66 June, and Dec. 1868 till his death 20 Nov. 1869.

1831. May 6. Hon. T. H. Foley. W. 2034. Hon. Frederick Spencer. W. 1765. Hon. H. B. Lygon. T. 1335.

Seven days' poll. Hon. Frederick Spencer of Althorp Park, co. Northampton, and son of and Earl Spencer, b. at the Admiralty, Whitehall, 14 April 1798, m (1) 23 Feb. 1830 Eliz. Georgiana (who died 7 April 1851), 2nd day, and co-heir of Wm. Spencer Poyntz of Cowdray Park, Sussex, and (2) 9 Aug. 1854 Adelaide Horatia Eliz. dau. of Sir Horace Beauchamp Seymour. He became Capt. R.N. 1822, Rear Admiral on the reserved list 8 Oct. 1852, Vice Admiral 28 April 1857, commanded the Talbot, and bore a conspicuous part at the battle of Navarino 1827, assisted at the reduction of Morea Castle 1828, received the cross of St. Louis of France, made a Knight of St. Ann of Russia (2nd class), and of the Redeemer of Greece, sat for co. Worc. 1831-2, Midhurst 1832-4, and Dec. 1837-41, CB. 1827, succ. his brother John Charles (better known as Viscount Althorp, Chancellor of the Exchequer 1830-4), as 4th Earl Spencer 10 Oct. 1845, sworn P.C. 8 July 1846, one of the Council of the Duchy of Lancaster 1847, made K.G. 23 March 1849, was patron of 12 livings, Equerry to H.R.H. the Duchess of Kent 1836-46, Lord Chamberlain of the Queen's Household July 1846-8 July, and Lord Steward Jan. 1854 till his death 27 Dec. 1857.

Upon the dissolution of Parliament 3 Dec. 1832, the provisions of the celebrated Reform Act came into operation, by which Worcestershire was divided into two Divisions, the Eastern and Western, each returning two Members.

EAST WORCESTERSHIRE.

1832. Dec. 21. W. C. Russell. W. 2570. T. H. Cookes. W. 2517. J. S. Pakington. T. 1916.

4348 voted out of 5161 registered electors. Plumpers, Russell 22, Cookes 25, Pakington 1640. Split votes, Russell and Cookes 2385, Russell and Pakington 169, Cookes and Pakington 107.

William Congreve Russell of King's Heath, only son of Thomas R. of that place, b. 15 April 1778, m. 19 July 1820 Eliz. Mary 3rd dau. of John Thomas Hendry Hopper of Wilton Castle, Durham, sat for E. Worc. 1832-4, J.P. and D.L. co. Worc., J.P. co. Warwick, and d. at Leamington 30 Nov. 1850, aged 72.

Thomas Henry Cookes of Bentley, eldest son of Rev. Denham James Joseph Cookes, rector of Stanford, (great-great grandson of Henry C. who d. 1678, brother to Sir Wm. Cookes 1st Bt., see 17c7), was b. 25 Oct. 1804, m. (1) at St. George's, Hanover Square, 8 Aug. 1844 Eliza (who d. 1891) yst. dau of John Wm. Law of London, and (2) 5 Sept. 1891 Gertrude eldest dau. of Robert Green of Astley, co. Worc. He was app. Capt. of the Worcestershire Yeomanry (which he assisted in raising) 1830 or 1831, was made J.P. co. Worc. 1831, D.L. 1832, and sat for East Worcestershire 1832-7.

1835. Jan. 19. Edward Holland. W. 2254.
T. H. Cookes. W. 2192.

Horace St. Paul. T. 2145.

Edward Holland of Dumbleton Hall, eldest son of Swinton Colthurst H. of Peover, Cheshire, b. 1805, educ. at Eton, B.A. Trin. Coll. Camb. 1829, M.A. 1850, m. (1) 1832 Sophia (who d. 1851) dau. of Elias Isaac of Boughton, Worcester, banker, (2) 1857 Frances Maria dau. of Samuel Christian of Malta, and widow of J. Hunter, was one of the Council of R. Agricultural Society in 1868, J.P. and D.L. cos. Gloucester and Worc., lord of the manor and patron of Dumbleton, H.S. co. Worcester 1842, M.P. E. Worc. 1835-7, when defeated; also unsucc. cont. E Gloucestershire 1854, but sat for Evesham July 1855-68, and d. 4 Jan. 1875, aged 70. His son George Henry m. 1844 the dau. of the 1st Lord Gifford, Master of the Rolls 1824-6.

1837. Aug. 4. Horace St. Paul. T. 2595.

John Barneby. T. 2528.

Edward Holland W. 2175.

J. H. H. Foley W. 2168.

4771 voted out of 5995. Tory Colour—Red. Whig Colour—Blue. Horace St. Paul of Ewart Park, Northumberland, and The Ellowes, Dudley, only son of Col. Sir Horace David Cholwell St. Paul 1st Bart. M.P. (see Dudley 1832), by Anna Maria dau. of John Viscount Dudley and Ward (see 1761), was b. at St. Ninians, Wooler, 29 Dec. 1812, matric. Ch. Ch. Oxon. 4 June 1831, was defeated for E. Worc. 1835, but its Member 1837-41, J.P. and Dep. Lieut. Northumberland, H.S. 1851, succ. his father as 2nd Bart. and as a Count of the Holy Roman Empire 1840, m. 24 April 1867 Jane Eliza dau. of George Annett Grey of Milfield, Northumberland, and d. 29 May 1891, when the title expired.

John Barneby of Brockhampton, eldest son of John B. of that place, was b. 20 Nov. 1799, matric. Ch. Ch. Oxon. 10 Dec. 1817, B.A. 1821, M.A. 1830, and m. 24 July 1838 Susan eldest dau. of John Henry Elwes of Colesbourne, co. Glouc. Mr. Barneby's name was

included in the new Commission of the Peace for co. Hereford 26 June 1830, and he was elected Chairman of its Quarter Sessions 6 Apr. 1835, and presided in that Court for ten years, taking a leading part in County affairs. He was a Metropolitan Commr. in Lunacy 1839-46, M.P. for Droitwich 1835-7, and for E. Worcestershire 1837 till his death 30 Nov. 1846, aged 47. He appointed and maintained a Chaplain for the private Chapel standing in the grounds of Brockhampton. Mr. Barneby's descent, for many centuries, is recorded in Burke's Landed Gentry. His second son Mr. William Henry Barneby of Bredenbury Court, near Bromyard, and Longworth, near Hereford, unsuccessfully contested Hereford in 1885. (See Williams' Herefordshire Members).

1841. July 12. John Barneby. T. James Arthur Taylor. T.

Of Strensham Court, elder son of James T., of Moseley Hall, and Moor Green (H.S. 1826), b. 18 June 1817, m. June 1843 Maria Theresa, dau. of George Rush of Elsenham Hall and Farthinghoe Lodge, co. Northants, was J.P. and D.L. co. Worc., M.P. E. Worc. 1841-7, and d. 14 June 1889.

1847. Jan. 11. Capt. George Rushout, of Burford Hall, Tenbury, (Protectionist), vice Barneby dec. Only son of Hon. and Rev. George Rushout-Bowles, Rector of Burford, Salop, (who took the additional name and arms of Bowles by R.L. 20 June 1817, younger son of the 1st Lord Northwick, see Evesham 1761), was b. 30 Aug. 1811, matric. Ch. Ch. Oxon. 16 Dec. 1829, B.A. 1833, M.A. 1836, Lieut. 1st Life Guards 10 Feb. 1837, Capt. 18 March 1842, Lt.-Col. Herefordshire Militia 1853-62, J.P. 1841, and D.L. co. Worc., D.L. Salop, M.P. Evesham 1837-41, when defeated, E. Worc. 1847 till he succ. his uncle as 3rd Lord Northwick 20 Jan. 1859, m. 15 April 1869 Hon. Eliz. Augusta dau. of Wm. 1st Lord Bateman, and widow of Major George Drought Warburton R.A., and d. 18 Nov. 1887, when the titles expired.

Aug. 7. Capt. G. Rushout.
 John Hodgetts Hodgetts-Foley.

Of Prestwood Park, younger son of Hon. Edward Foley (see 1774), b. 17 July 1797, matric. Ch. Ch. Oxon 27 Oct. 1815, took the name of Hodgetts before that of Foley by R.L. 4 April 1821, and m. 20 Oct. 1825, Charlotte Margaret dau. of John Gage, of Rogate Lodge. He was J.P. co. Worc., and sat for Droitwich Feb. 1822-34, (where defeated Jan. 1835), and for E. Worc. 1847 till his death, suddenly, at Prestwood 13 Nov. 1861.

1852. July 13. The same, re-elected 31 March 1857.

1859. Feb. 24. Hon. F. W. Calthorpe. L. 2304. Sir J. S. Pakington. C. 1965.

vice Col. George Rushout become Lord Northwick. Hon. Frederick Henry William Gough-Calthorpe, of Perry Hall, Birmingham, eldest son of Frederick 4th Lord Calthorpe, b. in London 24 July 1826, educ. at Eton, and Trin. Coll. Camb, app. D.L. co. Warwick 1852, and co. Stafford 1859, Lieut. Gloucestershire Yeomanry Cavalry 1853-9, M.P. E. Worc. 1859 till he succ. his father as 5th Lord Calthorpe 2 May 1868, was made J.P. cos. Warwick 1860, Stafford 1848, and Hants 1858, F.R.G.S., patron of 7 livings, and d. unm. 25 June 1893.

1859. May 3. J. H. H. Foley. L. Hon. F. Calthorpe. L.

1861. Dec. 20. Harry Foley Vernon, of Hanbury Hall, vice Foley dec. Younger son of Thomas Taylor Vernon, b. 11 April 1834, educ. at Harrow, matric. Magd. Coll. Oxon. 28 April 1853, B.A. 1858, M.A. 1860, and m. 17 Oct. 1861 Lady Georgina Sophia Baillie-Hamilton yst. dau. of the 10th Earl of Haddington. He was M.P. E. Worc. 1861-8, made J.P. co. Worc. 1860, D.L. 1 Feb. 1860, H.S. 1873, County Alderman 7 Feb. 1889, re-el. March 1895, Capt. 2nd Worcestershire R. Vol. 23 June 1860, Major 1 May 1862, Lt.-Col. (rank of Hon. Col. 1885) thereof 16 July 1873-87, Cornet in the Queen's Own Worcestershire Hussars (Yeomanry) 3 April 1861, Lieut. 17 July 1863, Capt. 5 Sept. 1871, (with rank of Hon. Major 1885), Major 5 July 1893, Hon. Col. thereof 1893, was created a Baronet 23 July 1885, and is patron of Hanbury and Shrawley.

1865. July 14. Hon. F. Calthorpe. L. H. F. Vernon. L.

1868. June 1. Hon. C. G. Lyttelton. L. 2688. William Laslett. C. 2429.

vice Hon. F. Calthorpe become a Peer. Hon. Charles George Lyttelton of Hagley Park, b. 27 Oct. 1842, eldest son of George 4th Lord Lyttelton, whom he succ. in the title 19 April 1876, was Fellow of Eton College, B.A. Trin. Coll. Camb. 1864, M.A. 1867, and m. 19 Oct. 1878 Hon. Mary Susan Caroline Cavendish 2nd dau. of Wm. 2nd Lord Chesham. He became Lieut. Worcestershire Yeomanry 12 May 1863, Lt.-Col. thereof (rank of Hon. Col.) 29 May 1878-93, J.P. 1865, and D.L. co. Worc., County Councillor (Bewdley div.) from 1889, M.P. E. Worc. 1868-74 when defeated, High Steward of Bewdley from 1876, a Land Commr. for England 1881-9, a Railway Commr. from 1891, and a trustee of the National Portrait Gallery from 1893. His Lordship

succ. the 3rd and last Duke of Buckingham and Chandos as 8th Viscount Cobham 26 March 1889. He is patron of 4 livings.

1868. Nov. 25. R. P. Amphlett. C. 4108. Hon. C. G. Lyttelton. L. 4093. T. Martin. L. 3780.

Richard Paul Amphlett, of Wychbold Hall, Droitwich, eldest son of Rev. Richard Holmden Amphlett, rector of Hadzor, was b. 24 May 1809, B.A. St. Peter's Coll. Camb. 1831, M.A. 1834, bar. at law Lincoln's Inn 10 June 1834, Bencher Hilary term 1858, left the Society 13 Feb. 1874, Q.C. 1858, m. (1) 2 Dec. 1840 Frances (who d. 22 Aug. 1879) only dau. and heir of Edward Ferrand, of St. Ives, Yorkshire, and (2) 22 April 1880 Sarah Amelia, yst. dau. of Charles Wykeham Martin, M.P., of Latimers, Hants. He was J.P. and D.L. co. Worc., Vice Ch. Quarter Sessions, unsucc. cont. Lewes 1859, M.P. E. Worc. 1868 till raised to the Bench as a Baron of the Exchequer Jan. 1874, was Knighted 1874, sworn a Privy Councillor 28 Nov. 1876, and was Lord Justice of the Court of Appeal Oct. 1876 till he resigned Oct. 1877, and d. 7 Dec. 1883.

1874. Jan. Mr. Amphlett vacated his seat on becoming a Judge, but no fresh writ was issued, as Parliament was dissolved 26 Jan.

1874. Feb. 16. Henry Allsopp. C. 4421.
T. E. Walker. C. 4159.
Hon. C. G. Lyttelton. L. 3308.
A. Albright. L. 2831.
W. Laslett. C. 55.

Henry Allsopp, of Hindlip Hall, 3rd and yst. son of Samuel A., of Burton-on-Trent, was b. 19 Feb. 1811, m. 21 Aug. 1839 Eliz. 2nd dau. of Wm. Tongue, of Comberford Hall, Tamworth, was J.P. and D.L. co. Stafford, J.P. co. Worc. 1862, J.P. co. Derby, and head of the firm of Allsopp and Sons, brewers, Burton-on-Trent. He sat for E. Worc. 1874-80, when he lost his seat, was created a Baronet 7 May 1880, raised to the Peerage as Lord Hindlip 16 Feb. 1886, and d. 3 April 1887, aged 76.

Thomas Eades Walker, of Studley Castle, co. Warwick, eldest son of Thomas W., of Wednesbury, co. Stafford, and Berkswell Hall, co. Warwick, who d. 1887, born 24 Feb. 1843, educ. at Harrow, matric. Ch. Ch. Oxon. 16 Oct. 1863, m. 7 July 1874 Eliz. Sydney, 2nd dau. of his colleague Henry Allsopp, 1st Lord Hindlip, unsucc. cont. Wednesbury 1868, sat for E. Worc. 1874-80, and was made J.P. co. Worc. 1877.

1880. April. W. H. Gladstone. L. 4879. G. W. Hastings. L. 4873. Sir R. Temple. C. 4417. Sir Henry Allsopp. C. 4258.

William Henry Gladstone, of Hawarden Castle, Flintshire, eldest son of Rt. Hon. William Ewart Gladstone, M.P., Prime Minister 1868-74, 1880-5, Feb. to July 1886, and 1892-4, was b. 3 June 1840, educ. at Eton, matric. Ch. Ch. Oxon. 26 May 1858, a junior student 1859-64, B.A. 1862, M.A. 1865, ent. Lincoln's Inn 1864, m. 29 Sept. 1875 Hon. Gertrude Stuart, 4th dau. of Charles 12th Lord Blantyre, was made J.P. 1866, and D.L. co. Flint, Lieut. 2nd Flintshire Rifle Vol., M.P. Chester 1865-8, Whitby 1868-80, E. Worc. 1880-5, a Lord of the Treasury Oct. 1869 to Feb. 1874, and d. 4 July 1891, aged 51.

George Woodyatt Hastings, of Barnard's Green House, Malvern, only son of Sir Charles Hastings M.D., of Worcester, b. 28 Sept. 1825, L.L.B. Ch. Coll. Camb. 1852, L.L.M. 1870, ent. Middle Temple 4 Nov. 1846, called to the bar 3 May 1850, and went the Oxford circuit, m. (1) 10 Aug. 1858 Catherine Anna (who d. 1870), dau. of Rev. Samuel Mence B.D., rector of Ulcombe, Kent, and (2) 1877 Frances Anna, only child of Rev. Wm. Huntington Pillans, rector of Himley. He was J.P. and D.L. co. Hereford, J.P. 1870, and Vice Ch. Quarter Sessions co. Worc., Ch. Worcester School Board 1871, Sec. to Law Amendment Society, Hon. Sec. to Nat. Reformatory Union, Gen. Sec. to Nat. Association for Promotion of Social Science 1857-68, Ch. of the Council 1868-73, V. Pres. till 1886, unsucc. cont. Beverley July 1854, W. Worc. 1874, M.P. E. Worc. 1880 till Jan. 1892, when he was expelled the House.

1885. Dec. The County was further divided into five electoral Divisions. East Worcestershire had 5,161 reg. electors in 1832, 10,313 in 1868, and 12,455 in 1884.

WEST WORCESTERSHIRE.

1832. Dec. 14. Hon. T. H. Foley. W. Hon. H. B. Lygon. T.

1833. May 16- H. J. Winnington. W. 1369. *J. S. Pakington.* T. 1278.

vice Hon. T. H. Foley become a Peer. Mr. Pakington (see Droitwich 1837), was absent in America during the Election. Henry Jeffreys-Winnington, of Stanford Court, was 5th and yst. son of Sir Edward W. (see Droitwich 1777), was Capt. 39th foot, M.P. W. Worc. May 1833-41, and d. 25 Aug. 1873, aged 79.

1835. Jan. 13. Hon. H. B. Lygon. T. 1945. H. J. Winnington. W. 1938. J. S. Pakington. T. 1773.

3617 voted out of 4126. Plumpers, Lygon 42, Winnington 1501, Pakington 35. Split votes, Lygon and Winnington 301, Lygon and Pakington 1602, Winnington and Pakington 136. The colours were, Tory—Purple and Oak. Whig—Light Blue and Laurel. Pakington's—Scarlet.

1837. July 31. Hon. H. B. Lygon. H. J. Winnington.

1841. July 6. Hon. H. B. Lygon. T. Frederick Winn Knight. T.

Of Wolverley House, Kidderminster, b. 1812, eldest son of John K. of Wolverley who d. 1850, by Hon. Jane Eliz. Winn dau. of the 1st Lord Headley, educ. at the Charterhouse, m. 1850 Maria Louisa Couling dau. of F. Gibbs, was M.P. W. Worc. 1841-85, Parl. Sec. to the Poor Law Board Feb. to Dec. 1852, and Feb. 1858 to June 1859, Lt.-Col. 1st Worcestershire R. Vol. 24 April 1860-91, Hon. Col. thereof 1891, (Volunteer Decoration), Lt.-Col. Queen's Own Worcestershire Hussars (Yeomanry) 16 July 1866 to May 1878, a Family Trustee of the British Museum as representative of R. Payne Knight M.P., of Downton, (see Williams' Parl. History of Herefordshire), J.P. 1842, and D.L. co. Worc., J.P. Devon 1883, and Somerset, patron of the living of Brendon, Devonshire, and was made C.B. 1881, and K.C.B. 5 Feb. 1886.

1847. Aug. 3. The same, re-elected 12 July 1852.

1853. Feb. 28. Henry Lygon, commonly called Viscount Elmley, of Madresfield Court, vice his father Hon. H. B. Lygon called to the Upper House as Earl Beauchamp. Elder son of the M.P. 1816, b. 13 Feb. 1829, became Cornet 1st Life Guards 5 May 1848, Lieut. 13 Dec. 1850, Capt. 1 Dec. 1854, retired 1863, Dep. Lieut. co. Worc. 24 June 1859, M.P. W. Worc. 1853 till he succ. his father as 5th Earl Beauchamp 8 Sept. 1863, was patron of 4 livings, and d. unm. 4 March 1866.

1857. March 30. F. W. Knight. C. Viscount Elmley. C.

1859. May 2. The same.

1863. Oct. 26. Hon. Frederick Lygon of Madresfield Court, vice his brother Viscount Elmley called to the Upper House. Younger

son of the M.P. 1816, b. 10 Nov. 1830, educ. at Eton, matric. Ch. Ch. Oxon. 15 Dec. 1848, B.A. 1852, Fellow of All Souls Coll. 1852-66, M.A. 1856, Hon. D.C.L. 22 June 1870, one of the Council of Keble Coll. 1871-82, ent. Inner Temple 1860, m (1) 18 Feb. 1868 Lady Mary Catherine Stanhope (who d. 30 June 1876), only dau. of Philip 5th Earl Stanhope, and (2) 24 Sept. 1878 Lady Emily Annora Charlotte Pierrepont elder dau. of Sydney 3rd Earl Manvers. He was Civil Lord of the Admiralty March to June 1859, M.P. Tewkesbury 1857-63 when he res. to stand for W. Worc., which he rep. till he succ. his brother as 6th Earl Beauchamp 4 March 1866, D.L. co. Worc. 24 Jan. 1854, J.P. 1857, Lord Lieut. and Cus. Rot. 13 May 1876, Capt. Worcestershire Yeomanry 7 July 1854 to Aug. 1859, Hon. Col. 2 Vol. Batt. Worcestershire Regt. 21 Aug 1880, patron of 4 livings, an official trustee of the British Museum, F.S.A., sworn a P.C. 2 March 1874, Lord Steward of the Household Feb. 1874 to May 1880, Paymaster General June 1885-6 Feb., and Aug. 1886-7 June, and d. 19 Feb. 1891.

1865. July 13. F. W. Knight. C. Hon. F. Lygon. C.

1866. March 24. William Edward Dowdeswell, of Pull Court, vice Hon. F. Lygon become a Peer. Eldest son of Wm. Dowdeswell, M.P., who d. Feb. 1877, b. 13 June 1841, educ. at Westminster School, matric. Ch. Ch. Oxon. 16 June 1859, m. 2 Feb. 1869 Emily 2nd dau. of Sir Thomas George Augustus Parkyns 6th Bt. of Ruddington Manor, Notts, was M.P. Tewkesbury 1865-6, when he res. to stand for W. Worc., which he rep. till May 1876, when he retired from Parl., was made J.P. 1863, and D.L. co. Worc., Capt. Worcestershire Yeomanry 21 June 1867, and d. 12 July 1893.

1868. Nov. 18. F. W. Knight. C. W. E. Dowdeswell. C.

1874. Feb. 16. W. E. Dowdeswell, C. 2919. F. W. Knight, C. 2554. G. W. Hastings. L. 1540.

1876. June 8. Sir Edmund Anthony Harley Lechmere Bt., of Rhydd Court, vice Dowdeswell res. Only son of Sir Edmund Hungerford L. whom he succ. as 3rd Bt. 2 April 1856, b. 8 Dec 1826, educ. at the Charterhouse, matric. Ch. Ch. Oxon. 15 May 1845, B.A. from St. Mary Hall 1849, M.A. 1852, and m. 30 Sept. 1858 Louisa Rosamund, only surviving child of John Haigh, of Whitwell Hall, Yorks. He was senior partner in Worcester Old Bank, Knt. Commander of the Servian Order of the Takova (for service in the Turko-Servian War), Knt. of the Holy Sepulchre, received the Grand Cordon of the Medjidie, Knt. Commander of the Order of St. John of

Jerusalem, of which he was Secretary and Receiver (and in 1893 Chancellor of the English branch), Knt. of Malta (2nd class), J.P. co. Worc. 1851, D.L. 1852, H.S. 1862, Capt. 19th Worcestershire R. Vol., patron of 4 livings, unsucc. cont. Tewkesbury 1868 and 1874, but rep. it March 1866-8, and sat for W. Worc. 1876-92, and S. Worc. 1892 till his death 18 Dec. 1894.

1880. April. Sir E. Lechmere. C. 2975. F. W. Knight. C. 2913. H. R. Willis. L. 1231.

West Worcestershire had 3122 registered electors in 1832, 6311 in 1868, and 6557 in 1884.

Upon the Dissolution of Parliament 18 Nov. 1885, the provisions of the Redistribution of Seats Act 1885 came into effect, by which the County of Worcester was divided into five electoral divisions, the Eastern, Mid or Droitwich, Northern, Southern or Evesham, and Western or Bewdley Divisions, each returning one Member. The Sheriff of the County is the Returning Officer.

EAST WORCESTERSHIRE.

1885. Dec. 2. George W. Hastings. L. 3685. Fred. Albert Bosanquet, Q.C. C. 3194.

1886. July 6. G. W. Hastings. L.U.

1892. March 30. Joseph Austen Chamberlain, of Highbury, Moor Green, Birmingham, vice Hastings expelled the House. Eldest son of Rt. Hon. Joseph Chamberlain M.P. (Sec. of State for the Colonies 1895), b. 16 Oct. 1863, educ. at Rugby, B.A. Trin. Coll. Camb. 1885, M.A. 1889, spent some time at the Ecoles des Sciences Politiques, Paris, and at Berlin, was some time Private Secretary to his father, M.P. E. Worc. from March 1892, Civil Lord of the Admiralty from July 1895.

1892. July 8. J. A. Chamberlain. L.U. 5111.

Oscar Browning. G.L. 2517.

1895. July J. A. Chamberlain, re-elected on accepting office.

1895. July 15. J. A. Chamberlain. L.U.

The Division had 8187 reg. electors in 1887, 9287 in 1892, and 10,998 in 1895.

MID WORCESTERSHIRE.

1885. Nov. 28. John Corbett. Ind. L. See Droitwich 1874.

1886. July 13. John Corbett. L.U. 4031.

Arthur James Dadson G.L. 2761.

1892. July 13. Richard Biddulph Martin. L.U. 3980.

Thomas English Stephens. G.L. 3410.

Mr. Martin, of Chislehurst, Kent, elder son of Robert M., of Overbury Court, by Mary Anne dau. of John Biddulph, of Ledbury (see Williams' Herefordshire Members), was b. 12 May 1838, educ. at Harrow, matric. Exeter Coll. Oxon. 13 May 1856, B.A. 1859, M.A. 1863, and m. 25 Aug. 1864 Mary Frances only dau of Admiral Richard Crozier of West Hill, Isle of Wight. He unsucc. cont. E. Worc. 1868, the city of London April 1880, and Mid Devon 1886, sat for Tewkesbury July 1880-5, and for Mid Worcestershire from 1892, was a founder and sometime Pres. of the Institute of Bankers, is Ch. of Martin's Bank, London, a Commr. of Lieutenancy for the City of London, J.P. Kent, F.R.G.S., and Treasurer of the Royal Statistical Society.

1895. July 17. R. B. Martin. L.U.

Mid Worcestershire had 9484 reg. electors in 1887, 9786 in 1892, and 9779 in 1895.

NORTH WORCESTERSHIRE.

1885. Dec. 5. Benjamin Hingley. L. 5774.

J. W. Willis-Bund. C. 2155.

The defeated candidate, John William Bund Willis-Bund, F.S.A. and F.L.S., of Wick Episcopi, Worcester, 2nd son of John Walpole Willis D.L., by Ann dau. of Col. Thomas Henry Bund D.L., of Wick Episcopi, was b. 8 Aug. 1843, educ. at Eton, B.A. Gonville and Caius. Coll. Camb. 1864, L.L.B. 1865, M.A. 1868, first in 1st class law tripos 1864, Chancellor's legal medallist, and m. 2 April 1872 Harriette Penelope sister of Rt. Hon. Sir Richard Temple Bart., (see S. Worcestershire 1885). He assumed the additional surname of Bund in 1864, ent. Lincoln's Inn 26 April 1866, and was called to the bar 26 Jan. 1869, was Professor of constitutional law London Univ. 1869-82, examiner law tripos Camb. Univ. 1875-8, in history tripos Camb. 1878-80, and lecturer in law Univ. Coll. Bristol 1877-9. Mr. Willis-Bund

who has edited Oke's Handybook of the Game Laws, and Oke's Fishery Laws, is author of The Law of Salmon Fisheries, The Agricultural Holdings Act, and Selections from State Trials. He was in 1885 Vice-Chairman, and is now Chairman of the Severn Fishery Board, J.P. and D.L. co. Worc., J.P. co. Cardigan, Chairman of Quarter Sessions for cos. Worcester and Cardigan, Chairman of Worcestershire County Council since 1892 (Vice-Chairman 1889-92, County Councillor for Powick division since March 1889), and Chairman of the Standing Joint Committee.

Benjamin Hingley, of Hatherton Lodge, Cradley, yst. son of Noah H., of that place, who unsucc. cont. Dudley May 1874, b. 11 Sept. 1830, educ. at King Edward's School, Halesowen, was Mayor of Dudley 1887-9, J.P. Dudley and co. Worcester, J.P. co. Stafford 1877, Chairman and Ald. of Dudley County Council, County Ald. for co. Stafford 1889-92, head of the firms of N. Hingley and Sons, Limited, and Hingley and Smith, colliery proprietors and ironmasters, Ch. S. Staffordshire Ironmasters Association, of Lloyds Staffordshire Proving Co., and of Cradley Heath Gas Co. He was M.P. North Worcestershire 1885-95, and was created a Baronet 8 Aug. 1893, and is unmarried. His nephew Mr. George Benjamin Hingley, of High Park, Droitwich, is a J.P. and County Councillor for co. Worc.

1886. July 7. Benjamin Hingley. L.

1892. July. Benjamin Hingley. L. 5329. Wm. Clive Bridgeman. C. 3171.

Mr. Bridgeman also unsucc. cont. Mid Derbyshire 1895.

1895. July 23. J. W. Wilson. L.U. 5012.

R. W. Waite. R. 4024.

John William Wilson, of Bransford, Edgbaston, eldest son of John Edward Wilson, of Edgbaston, was b. 22 Oct. 1858, educ. at Grove House, Tottenham, and London Univ., m. 1883 Florence Jane, dau. of Smith Harrison, of Woodford, Essex, is J.P. eo. Worc., member of the firm of Albright and Wilson, chemical manufacturers, Oldbury, and has sat for N. Worc. since 1895.

North Worcestershire had 10573 reg. electors in 1887, 10744 in 1892, and 11209 in 1895.

SOUTH WORCESTERSHIRE.

1885. Dec. 3. Sir Richard Temple. C. 4080.

Arthur Chamberlain L. 3848.

Sir Richard Temple, of The Nash, Kempsey, eldest son of Richard T., of that place, was b. 8 March 1828, educ. at Rugby and Haileybury College, ent. Bengal Civil Service 1847, was Chief Commr.

of Central Provinces and British Resident at the Court of the Nizam of the Deccan at Hyderabad, Foreign Sec. to Govt. of India, Sec. to Order of Star of India, Finance Minister of India 1868-74, Lt. Gov. of Bengal 1874-7, Gov. of Bombay Jan. 1877-80 March, created a Bart. 16 Aug. 1876, C.S.I. 1867, K.C.S.I. 1868, G.C.S.I. 1878, C.I.E. 1 Jan. 1878, D.C.L. Oxford 9 June 1880, L L.D. Camb. 1883, and McGill Univ. Montreal 1884. He m. (1) 27 Dec. 1849 Charlotte Frances (who d. 2 March 1855), dau. of Benjamin Martindale, of London, (2) 28 Jan. 1871 Mary Augusta (C.I.), dau. of Charles Robert Lindsay B.C.S., was Pres. Nat. Assoc. for Promotion of Social Science, unsucc. cont. E. Worc. 1880, M.P. S. Worc. 1885-92, Kingston div. of Surrey 1892-5, a member of the London School Board (for the City) 1885-94, Vice-Chairman 1885-8, and J.P. co. Worc. 1881. He was app. to direct relief operations in Bengal during the famine 1874, and is author of Men and Events of my time in India.

1886. July 9. Sir R. Temple. C. 4127.

**Daniel Pidgeon, C.E. G.L. 2391.

1892. July 13. Sir E. Lechmere. C. 4170.

Frederic Impey. L. 3590.

As to Sir Edmund Lechmere see West Worcestershire 1876. The defeated candidate, Frederic Impey, of Longbridge Place, Northfield, Worcestershire, was b. 18 Sept. 1847, the eldest son of Bedford and Priscilla Impey, of Feering, Essex, and m. in June 1871 Eleanor 5th dau. of James Clark, of Street, Somerset. He was the author of the leaflet, *Three Acres and a Cow*, describing the provision of grass land Allotments of three acres on Lord Tollemache's estate in Cheshire, 1885, and is Chairman of the Allotment and Small Holdings Association. He unsucc. cont. the Evesham division 1892 and Jan. 1895, was made J.P. co. Warwick 1892, and has been a County Councillor for Worcestershire (Fladbury division) since Aug. 1892. Both Mr. and Mrs. Impey are descended from a Quaker ancestry of over 200 years.

1895. Jan. 22. Col. C. W. Long. C. 4760. Frederic Impey. L. 3585.

vice Sir E. Lechmere dec. Lt.-Col. Charles Wigram Long, of Severn Bank, Severn Stoke, son of Ven. Charles Maitland Long, Archdeacon of E.R. Yorks, was b. 5 Oct. 1842, ent. Royal Artillery as Lieut. 19 Dec. 1860, Capt. 9 May 1874, Adjutant 6 Oct. 1875, Major 12 Oct. (1 July) 1881, Lt.-Col. retired 1886, m. Constance, dau. of Col. Robert Vansittart, Coldstream Guards, was made J.P. co. Worc., and M.P. S. Worc. from Jan. 1895.

1895. July 18. Col. C. W. Long.

South Worcestershire had 9522 reg. electors in 1887, 9586 in 1892, and 9914 in 1895.

WEST WORCESTERSHIRE.

1885. Nov. 30. Sir E. Lechmere. C. 4525. *John Fell.* L. 3015.

See West Worcestershire 1876.

1886. July 2. Sir E. Lechmere. C.

1892. July 4. Alfred Baldwin. C.

Of Wilden House, Stourport, son of George B., was b. 4 June 1841, educ. privately, m. 1866 Louisa, dau. of Rev. G. B. Macdonald, of Wolverhampton, was made J.P. co. Wcrc. 1879, and co. Stafford 1883, head of the firm of E. P. and W. Baldwin, ironmasters and tin-plate makers, of Wilden Works, Stourport, Ch. Blackwell Galvanized Iron Co., and of Alfred Baldwin and Co., director of several other companies, and has sat for W. Worcestershire since 1892.

1895. July 13. Alfred Baldwin.

The Western Division had 9833 reg. electors in 1887, 10091 in in 1892, and 10329 in 1895.



MEMBERS FOR WORCESTER.

1295. Richard de Leebur. Walter de Caleweton.

Nash's Worcestershire gives Richard de la Bar. Probably one of the Delabere family.

1298. William Colle. Walter Queynterel.

William Colle was one of the two Bailiffs of Worcester 1297, 1298, and M.P. 1298. He gave in 1310 to Worcester Priory all that land called Chestull, Oldcastle Edward's Church with common for six beasts in Dudley after the hay had been carried off, as also a messuage held then by Peter de Rougemente. The Bishop's license to alienate it was granted 8 id. July 1310.

1301. John Comyn. Richard le Mercer.

John Comyn was M.P. Worcester 1301, 1311, co. Warwick 1329, and app. a Commr. to assess. co. Worc. I Nov. 1301. (Patent Rolls).

1302. William de Apelton. Roger le Barbur.

1305. Peter Colle. Roger le Barbur.

Peter Colle was evidently son or brother of the M.P. 1298. He sat for Worcester 1305, 1306, 1313, 1325, 1327.

1 306. Peter Colle. William de Salop.

1307. Jan. John Lony. Walter de Northfeld.

Probably the same as John Lovi, Bailiff of Worcester 1272, 1297. Grant 12 Aug. 1328 at the instance of John de Wysham, Steward of the Household, to the Bailiffs and good men of Worcester of pontage for three years, to be taken by John Lony the younger and Wm. de Martloye (see 1324), citizens of Worcester. (Patent Rolls).

1309. William Roculf.
John de Hornyngwold.

William Roculph was Bailiff of Worcester 1272, M.P. 1309, 1311. On 15 March 1308 commission of oyer and terminer issued to Justices on complaint by Ralph son of Cicely de Bello Loco who had freighted a vessel at Bewdley with brushwood merchandise and goods for Bristol, that Wm. Roculf, of Worcester, Richard le Mercer (see 1301), Wm. Colle (see 1298), and others, of Worcester seized his ship in the river Severn near Worcester, imprisoned him, and carried away his goods. Pardon 27 Dec. 1327 at the request of Roger de Mortuo Mari, to John de Hornyngwold, Wm. le Carter (see 1327), Robert de Sevenhampton (see 1332), Wm. Roculf the elder, John le Sheremon, Peter Colle (see 1305), John Lony (see 1307), John le Mercer (see 1335), Wm. de Hodington (see 1322), Thomas Gros, Wm. Roculf jun. (see 1322), Walter le Mercer, Hugh del Hill, and Richard Colz (see 1315), all of Worcester, of £56 8s. 4d. remaining due on a fine. (Patent Rolls).

The family of Horniyold existed in the county for many centuries. The M.P. in 1309 is the first recorded ancestor. They were afterwards seated at Blackmore Park, in the parish of Hanley Castle, the manor of which they acquired in the reign of Elizabeth. They recorded their descent at the visitations of 1533, 1634, and 1683, and became extinct so recently as 1859.

1311. Aug. John Comyn. William Roculf.

1311. Nov. The same.

1313. July. Peter Colle. Nicholas de Gloucestr'.

Probably like other Members the latter derived his name from the place of his birth, as did others like the next M.P. from their or their father's employment. Peter Colle was doubtless an early member of the family of Colles, afterwards seated at Suckley, Grimley, and Leigh Court.

> 1313. Sept. Nicholas de Gloucestr'. Alan le Taylur.

> 1314. Nicholas de Gloucestr'. Simon Poche.

1315. Richard Coliz.

John atte Wode.

Richard Coliz, Culiz, or as Nash gives him, Colles, or Colleys, was M.P. 1315, 1316, 1319, 1320, 1322, and of kin to the M.P. 1313. The Mayor and Bailiffs were ordered 19 May 1322 to pay Wm. Roculf

jun. (see 1322) and Richard Coliz, Burgesses of Worcester, 20 d. a day each for their expenses in attending the Parliament at York, including the days spent in travelling.

John atte Wode was perhaps father of Robert, M.P. for the County 1327.

1316. Richard Coliz. Peter Gerveyse.

Perhaps an ancestor of Thomas Jervoise, lord of the manors of Northfield and Weoley in the reign of Queen Mary—a family now represented by Sir Arthur Clarke-Jervoise Bart.

1318. Thomas de Dene Fighere. Alan le Taylour.

On 12 June 1320 Walter de Cantilupo, parson of the Church of Snytenfeld, and Thomas Betoun, parson of the Church of Avene Derset, both in the diocese of Worcester, acknowledged that they owed to Thomas de Dene of Worcester, corviser, £17 6s. 8d. to be levied, in default of payment, of their lands and chattels and ecclesiastical goods in co. Warwick. (Close Rolls).

1319. Richard Culiz. John Bacon.

1320. Richard Coliz. Peter de Grete.

As to the latter see the County 1328.

1322. May. William Rokulf junior. Richard Coliz.

The former was son of the M.P. 1309, and sat for Worcester 1322, 1339.

1322. Nov. John de Donyton. William de Hodyngton.

John de Donynton, of Leicester, received a general pardon 24 May 1327. Wm. de Hodyngton was probably son of Richard de H. who held one hide of land in Hodington 27 Edw. I. His descendants continued lords of Hodington until the time of Henry VI.

1324. Jan. William de Marteleye. Henry de Sallowe. Peter Colle. Ralph Brewes.

Brewes or Braose. The heiress of this family married into that of Cooksey of Cooksey towards the close of the 14th century.

1326. William le Cartere. Peter de Groete.

The former was M.P. 1326, 1330, 1331, 1332. Perhaps son of Thomas Carter, citizen of Worcester, who about 1310 gave lands to Worcester Priory.

1327. Peter Colle. Walter de Wenlak.

The latter was of Worcester, and M.P 1327, 1328, 1336.

1328. Feb. Walter de Wenlak. Hugh dil Holte.

1328. April. Peter de Grete. William le Eyr.

Commission of oyer and terminer 20 Sept. 1327, to certain Justices on complaint by Thomas Marcely that William le Eyr of Trewelesit and many others broke his house at Lysarth, Cornwall, assaulted him, and carried away his goods.

1329. Hugh de la Holte. William le Webbe.

Probably an ancestor of the family of Wybbe of Hanbury and Hadsor.

1330. March. William de Coderugg. William de Norton.

The former was M.P. 1330, 1348. As to the latter see the County 1346.

1330. Nov. Peter de Grete. William le Cartere.

1331. Sept. William le Cartere. William le Benhale.

1332. Mar. William le Cartere. Robert de Sevenhampton.

Perhaps brother to John de Sevenhampton, M.P. co. Gloucester 1328.

1332. Sept. William le Goldsmyth. William le Petlyng.

1334. Feb. John le Belleyetere. William de Petlyng.

License 28 Jan. 1334 for the alienation in mortmain to the master and brethren of the Hospital of St. Wolstan, Worcester, by Wm. de Petlyng and Walter Mayel, chaplain, of 2 tofts, 40 acres of land, 1 acre of meadow, and 2 acres of wood in Northwyk by Worcester.

Appointment 20 July 1332 of Richard de Stafford and others to arrest several persons appealed of divers felonies by Wm. le Belleyetere of Warrewyk, a prisoner in Warwick gaol.

1335. John le Mercer. Peter de Westbury.

The latter was probably the same as Peter de Grete of Worcester and Westbury, (see County 1328). The former may have been son of the M.P. 1301. License 12 Jan. 1300 for the alienation in mortmain by John le Mercer of Worcester to the Prior and Convent of St. Mary, Worcester, of 4 knights' fees and three quarters in Batenhale, Whitynton, &c., appurtenances of the manor of Batenhale "which manor was lately acquired by them in fee with the King's license." (Patent Rolls).

1336. March. Peter de Grete.
Richard de Leicester.

1336. Sept. Peter de Greote. Walter de Wenlak.

1337. Sept. Peter de Greote. Thomas le Cartere.

Appointment 26 July 1337 of Henry le Carter and Thomas le Carter to buy for the King's use 400 sacks of grain at 9½ marks a sack, in co. Worc. They were perhaps brothers to the M.P. 1326.

1338. Feb. William de Norton. Peter de Greote.

1338. July. Peter de Eseburi. William de Norton.

1339. Jan. John de Knyton. John de Ston' (see County 1320).

John de Knyton also sat for Bridgnorth Feb. and Oct. 1328 (as Kyngton), 1335, Jan. 1339 and March 1340 (as Knyton).

1339. Oct. William Roculf. John de Esebury.

Names illegible. Probably Simon Gros (see County 1338), and Nicholas Rook (see 1354).

- 1340. March. Gilbert Hanehonte. Roger de Boys.
- 1341. Bernard de Staunforde. Thomas de Hokynge.
- 1344. Walter Rauf. John de Radeston.

Grant 3 Oct. 1377 to Walter Rauf of the office of Bailiff of Dover to execute it personally or by deputy during good behaviour. Grant 1 May 1380 for life rent free to Walter Rauf, the King's tailor, of a house with chambers and stable at Barnard's Castle, London. Grant for life 26 Jan. 1381 to Walter Rauf, the King's servant, of a yearly rent of £7 in Bulwell, Notts., which escheated to the late King. Grant for life 12 March 1381 to Walter Rauf, the King's tailor, in the event of his surviving Mundina Danes of Aquitaine, the King's nurse, whom he has married, of the manor of Willele, Surrey, on the same conditions on which it was granted to her for life by letters patent 15 March 1378. (Patent Rolls).

- 1346. John Aylewyn. Hugh Shirman.
- 1348. Jan. Richard Gros. William Lilye.

The former was perhaps brother or son of Simon Gros (see County 1338). Wm. Lilye was perhaps ancestor of the family of Lilly, of Bromsgrove and Stoke Prior, flourishing there in the 16th and 17th centuries.

1348. March. Symon Gros. William de Coderugge (1330).

Symon Gros.
John de Rydewale.

1352. Jan. John Spelly. John Shelve.

John Spelly sat for Worcester 1352, 1354, 1355, and was perhaps father of Elias Spelly M.P. Bristol 1385. John Shelve was M.P. Worcester 1352, 1360.

- 1353. John de Redewale. Richard Lorbagg.
- 1354. Nicholas Rook (1340). John Spelly.
- 1355. Nicholas de Rook. John Spelly.
- Thomas de Tolwardyn. Thomas Salwarp.
- John de Waddesworth.
 John de Shelve.
- 1361. Thomas de Tolwardyn. John Croule.

Crowle was M.P. 1361, (? 1365), 1371. John de Growele (? Crowle) and Wm. Swenerton gave a house and 20 acres of land in Worcester and Northwich to White Ladies Convent.

1362. Philip de Kyngton. Robert Hayle.

The former sat 1362, 1363, and was probably son of the M.P. 1339. Robert Hayle sat 1362, 1372. Appointment 2 July 1378 of Richard de Norton (see 1414), John de Hereford (see 1393), the two Bailiffs of Worcester, together with Thomas de Licchefeld, of Worcester, (see 1369), and Laurence Groos, coroner, of Worcester (a relative of Symon and Richard Gros, see 1348), to arrest and bring to London, for delivery to the Flete prison, Robert Haile 'bocher,' outlawed for not appearing before the Justices of the Bench to answer John Bedwardyn, clerk, for a debt of £200. Commission 3 Aug. 1378 to Richard de Norton, of Worcester, Thomas de Brugge, escheator in co. Worc., and others to arrest, bring to London and deliver to the Warden of the Flete, Robert Hayle 'bocher,' who being sued in the late reign by John Bedwardyn, clerk, touching a debt of £200 and outlawed in Middlesex for non-appearance has withdrawn from Justice; they are to enquire by jury of the county of Worcester of all his lands, tenements, and goods, seize them into the King's hands, and certify their proceedings without delay. (Patent Rolls).

- Philip de Kyngton. Other name torn off.
- 1365. Thomas de Clyfton. John . . . e.

The latter name torn off the Return, (perhaps John Croule). Clyston sat 1365, 1369.

1368. John Goldsmyth. Richard de Norton.

Goldsmyth was M.P. 1368, 1371, 1373, 1377, and probably son of the M.P. 1332. Norton who was Bailiff of Worcester 1378, and M.P. 1368, 1372, 1373, 1377, 1379, 1385, was probably son of the M.P. 1330. Letters 12 Nov. 1379 for James de Staundon staying in England nominating Henry Conweye and Richard de Norton his attorneys in Ireland for one year.

Thomas de Lychesfeld. 1369. Thomas de Clyfton. 1371. Feb. John Croule. John Goldsmyth. June. (One Member), John Croule. 1371. Robert Haille. 1372. Richard de Norton. John Goldsmyth. 1373. Richard de Norton. Richard de Norton. Jan. 1377. Walter Holbarwe. Richard de Norton (1368). Oct. 1377. John Goldsmyth.

Couwerne was M.P. 1378, 1380, 1384; Dymars 1378, 1381. Pardon was granted 26 July 1380 to Richard Knap for breaking with others into a stable of Nicholas Dymarez at Wyrcestre, in the rectory of St. Andrew's, Wyrcestre, on Saturday before St. Dunstan 1378, and stealing his horse, value 20 marks. (Patent Rolls).

Richard Couwerne.

Nicholas Dymars.

1379. Richard Mayesmor. Richard Norton.

1378.

Mayesmore was M.P. Worcester 1379, 1380, 1382, 1384, 1385, 1386, 1391.

1380. Jan. Richard Mayesmor. John Coupere.

Couper sat 1380, 1395.

1380. Nov. Richard Couwerne. Richard Mayesmore. Nicholas Dymars. John Bredon.

Bredon was M.P. 1381, 1388, 1390, 1397, 1399, 1402.

1382. May. Roger de Lychfeld. Richard de Gascoyne.

The former sat 1382, 1383, 1388, 1390, and was perhaps son of the M.P. 1369. He is styled Roger Lichfield of Worcester, alias Roger Swynfen in *Nicholl's Leicestershire*, iv., 311. Gascoyne was M.P. 1382, 1383, Bailiff of Worcester 1405, and presented with Thomas Belne (see 1390), to Holy Trinity Chantry, St. Nicholas, Worcester, 4 Jan. 1404 and 12 June 1405.

1382. Oct. Roger Lychesfeld. Richard Meysmore.

1383. Feb. Roger Lichefeld. Richard Gascoigne.

1383. Oct. Roger de Lychefeld. John Newemon.

1384. April. Richard Mayesmor. Hugh Stevenes.

1384. Nov. Richard Mayesmore. Richard Cowerne.

1385. Richard Maysemor. Richard de Norton.

Richard Maysemore.
Robert Stevens.

1388. Feb. Roger Lichefeld. John Breodon (1381).

1388. Sept. John Cole. John Somery.

The latter may have been grandson of Robert de Somery, (see County 1309). John Cole should perhaps be spelt Colle, (see 1298).

1390. Jan. Roger Lychefeld. Thomas Beolne.

Thomas Belne, Bolne, or Beolne, was M.P. 1390, 1391, 1393, 1394, 1395, 1397, 1399, 1402, 1407, 1410, Bailiff of Worcester 1405, and presented with Richard de Gascoyne (see 1382) to Holy Trinity Chantry, St. Nicholas, Worcester, 4 Jan 1404, and 12 June 1405. On

the death of his ancestor Hugh de Belne, of King's Norton, an inquisition post mortem was held 1317, which found his son William aged 23, his heir. On William's death 1348 the inq. p. m. proved his brother Thomas aged 40 to be his heir to lands in cos. Warwick and Worcester. In 1362 on the death of Thomas Belne, of King's Norton, the inq. p. m. found his son William aged 12, his heir. (Thomas Belne the M.P. was probably a younger son).

1390. Nov. Richard Maismore. John Bredon.

1391. Richard Mayesmore. Thomas Bolne.

Thomas Bolne. John Herford.

The latter should be John de Hereford. (See 1362).

John Barell.
Thomas Belne.

Barell again sat 1400.

1395. John Couper. Thomas Belne.

1397. Jan. John Breodon. Thomas Belne.

Thomas Belne. John Breodon.

John Barell.
Richard Halle.

Hall was again M.P. 1403, 1406. Perhaps son of the M.P. 1362.

Thomas Belne. John Bredon.

John Malley. Richard Hall.

Malloy was M.P. 1403, 1407.

1406. Richard Aseney, or Oseney. Richard Halle.

1407. Oct. 19. Thomas Belne. John Malley. 1410. Jan. 1. John Weston.
Thomas Belne.

Weston sat for Worcester 1410, 1413, 1414, 1415, 1417.

- 1413. April 19. John Weston.
 John Wode, (see County, 1414).
- 1414. Oct. 31. John Weston. Richard Norton.

Norton was M.P. and Bailiff of Worcester 1414, and presented to Holy Trinity Chantry, St. Nicholas, Worcester, 27 March 1414. He was probably son of the M.P. 1368, and not that Member himself.

- 1415. Oct. 30. John Weston. John Wode.
- 1419. Sept. 27. John Weston. William Boughton.

Boughton was Bailiff of Worcester 1432, 1437.

- 1420. Nov. 20. John Forthey. William Warde.
- J. Forthey was Escheator of co. Worc. 1433, and M.P. Worcester 1420, 1421, 1422, 1429, 1431.
 - 1421. April 9. John Forthey. Robert Nelme.

Nelme presented to Holy Trinity Chantry, St. Nicholas, Worcester, 16 Jan. 1420, 16 July 1438, and was M.P. 1421, 1423, 1436. As Robert Nelvit he was one of the two Bailiffs of Worcester 1434, 1439.

1421. Nov. 19. John Forthey. Galfridus Frere.

Nash calls him Fryr. Evidently the same as Godfrey Fryer who was Bailiff of Worcester 1431. He was again M.P. 1425. Godfrey (or Jeffrey) Frere m. Elizabeth dau. and heir of John Lyttelton of Frankley, and had a son Thomas Frere of Charlton Castle, whose son Humphrey was of Charlton and The Blankets. The family seems to have become extinct early in the 17th century.

- 1422. Oct. 21. Nicholas Stokes. John Forthey.
- 1423. Sept. 22. Robert Nelme. Ralph Merston.

1425. April 4. Richard Oseney. Galfridus Fryr.

Oseney was probably the same as Richard Aseney M.P. 1406, and was a citizen of Worcester. In the list of Bailiffs of Worcester appear the names of Richard Oldney 1430, 1432, Richard Nolding 1435, 1437, 1441, 1444, and Richard Osney 1457. Oldney however may have been a different person to the Member, and one of the Olneys, afterwards of co. Bucks.

1426. Feb. 6. John Sharpe. Thomas Swyney.

Swyney was Bailiff of Worcester 1430, 1440, 1456, 1458.

1427. Sept. 17. John Sharp. Richard Vely.

1429. Sept. 14. John Forthey. William Miles.

William Mills was Bailiff 1431.

1431. Jan. 3. William Poleyn. John Forthey.

William Poleyn and John de Brugge presented to Birts Morton I June 1420. He appears as W. Poolen on the list of Bailiffs 1433.

1432. March 26. William Pullesdon. John Parker.

In 1409 Thomas Polton Bishop of Worcester demised to W. Pullesden a meadow within his manor of Wyke near Worcester. As W. Pilston he appears as one of the two Bailiffs of Worcester 1443. He was again M.P. 1453.

1433. June 17. William Pullesdon. Henry Newdyk.

As Henry Newdick he was Bailiff 1438. The family of Newdicke, of Newdicke Court, Worcester, was of considerable account for several generations. It failed either late in the 16th or early in the 17th century.

1435. Oct. 5. Henry Newedyk. John Halle.

John Halle was a grocer, and served as Bailiff 1438. Probably a son of the M.P. 1400.

1436. Dec. 26. Robert Nelme. Walter Dockyng. 1442. Jan. 17. John Bykerstath. Thomas Walsall.

Richard Bickerstaff was Bailiff 1444.

1447. Feb. 6. Hugh Jolye. John Porter.

The latter may have been father of John Porter one of the two Bailiffs 1485, and was probably an early member of the family long seated at Tapenhall in the parish of Claynes. Hugh Jolye was evidently the same as the Bailiff of 1449 (as Hugh Foley), 1457 (as Hugh Folley), and 1464 (as Hugh Tolley).

1449. Feb. 5. William Wode. Maurice Payn.

The former was perhaps son of the M.P. 1413. Payn was Bailiff 1446, 1450, 1454, 1463, and M.P. 1449, 1467.

1449. Oct. 20. William Clyve. John Neuton.

Newton again sat 1450, 1455.

1450. Oct. 14. John Newton. William Cleve.

1453. Feb. 28. William Pullesdon. Thomas Oseney.

Perhaps son of the M.P. 1425.

1455. June 18. John Pachet. John Newton.

Thomas Pachet.
Iohn Broke.

Thomas Pagget (perhaps brother of the M.P. 1455), appears as one of the two Bailiffs of Worcester 1462, and, as Thomas Pachet, was Escheator of co. Worc. 1456.

John Brooke was Bailiff 1462, 1466, 1476, 1486.

1467. June 19. William Stevenys. Moris Payne.

Wm. Stevenys was Escheator of co. Worc. 1457; (see 1386).

1472. Sept. 28. Richard Howton. John Grafton.

Howton (or Houghton) was Bailiff 1473, 1482, 1486. Hugh and Robert Grafton were the two Bailiffs 1452, while Robert and

William Grafton were so 1465. John Grafton, of Grafton Flyford, son of Richard G., was M.P. 1472, and Bailiff 1480. His descendants were clothiers at Worcester.

1477. Dec. 22. Richard Dalton. Ralph Jowkes.

Nash calls him Jewkes, probably ancestor of the Jewkes of Wolverley residing there in the 17th century.

1483, 1484, 1485, 1487. Returns lost.

John Gyse.John Broke.

John Guise, of Elmore, co. Gloucester, and of Churchill near Bredicote, co. Worc., was son and heir of Sir John Guise, K.B. John Broke was perhaps son of the M.P. 1460, unless he was the same person.

1495, 1497, 1510, 1512, 1515, 1523. Returns lost.

1529. Hugh Dee. John Brennyng.

The word "mortuus" is written against both their names, so that they both died before the dissolution 4 April 1536. In the list of wills proved at Worcester appears Hugo —— 1536. H. Dee was Bailiff of Worcester 1522, 1524. John Brangham was Bailiff 1532, 1534.

1536, 1539. Returns lost.

1541. Dec 29. John Braughing. Thomas Sheldon.

John Braughing (who may have been son of the M.P. 1529), was M.P. 1541-4 and 1547 till his death about 1550. Thomas Sheldon was brother to Wm. S. (see Co. 1554), and 2nd son of Ralph S., of Beoley. His descendants were seated at Child's Wycon, co. Glouc.

1545. Oct. Return lost.

1547. Sept. 20. John Braughynge. Robert Youle.

Yowle was M.P. Worcester 1547-52, Nov. 1554-5 Jan., Oct. to Dec. 1555, 1558, and one of the two Bailiffs of the City 1548, 1552, 1559.

1549-50. (circa). Thomas Wylde, vice Braughynge deceased. Thomas Wilde, of The Commandery in Worcester, which he bought for £498 in 1544, was the 2nd son of Simon W., of the Ford, Droitwich, and m. (1) Alice dau. 01 Robert Sudington, of Worcester,

and (2) Eleanor eldest dau. and co-heir of George Wall, of Droitwich. He was a clothier at Worcester, Bailiff of the city 1547, M.P. (about) 1549-50 till 1552, and 1558, and made his will 19 Aug. 1558.

1553. Feb. 3. William Robynson. Edward Brockeden.

Robinson was Bailiff 1536, 1538, M.P. 3 Feb. to 31 March 1553, when the Parl was dissolved. Brockeden, Bragden, or Braxden, was a citizen of Worcester, and again M.P. 1554-5.

1553. Sept. 26. John Borne. John Emery.

As to John Bourne see the County 1554. John Emery should probably be Amery, of Codrington, co. Glou. Parl. was dissolved 5 Dec. 1553.

· 1554. March 9. John Aynesworthe.
Thomas Hill.

Both styled armiger. The Parl. was dissolved May 1554. Thomas Hill was M.P. Heytesbury Oct. to Dec. 1553. Perhaps admitted to Gray's Inn 1531.

1554. Nov. 20. Robert Yowle. Edward Bragda'.

Nash calls the latter Bragden, the same as the M.P. 1553.

1555. Oct. 11. Robert Yowle. William Adyes.

A William Adyes was admitted to Gray's Inn 1555. Wm. Addyes, of Durance, co. Worc., was probably a son of Thomas A., of Great Barr, co. Stafford, and if so died s.p.

1558. Jan. Robert Yowle. Thomas Wylde.

1559. Jan. 3. Richard Bullyngham. Guthlac Edwardes.

The former was M.P. Worcester Jan. to April 1559, 1571, Bailiff 1561, 1563, and perhaps brother to Nicholas Bullingham, a native of Worcestershire, who was Bishop of Lincoln 1560, and of Worcester 18 Jan. 1571 till his death 18 April 1576.

Guthlac Edwards was a clothier, of Worcester, whose Will was proved 1560. John Edwards who was Bailiff 1580 may have been his son.

1562. Dec. William Gibbes. John More.

The former was Bailiff 1559, 1561, 1585, M.P. 1562-7. John More was perhaps father of Thomas More who was Bailiff 1595.

1571. April. Francis Streate.
Richard Bullingham.

Francis Street (perhaps son of Henry Street, Bailiff 1557), was one of the two Bailiffs of Worcester 1568, 1570, 1588.

1572 April. Christopher Dighton. Thomas Wallesgrove.

Ald. Dighton, son of Christopher D., (was seemingly adm. to Gray's Inn 1540), m. (1) Eleanor dau. of John Fleet, alias Wallsgrove, (2) Eliz. Booth, was Bailiff of Worcester 1560, 1574, 1596, 1598, and M.P. 1572-83, Oct. to Dec. 1601, and 1604 till his death in 1605. On 13 Aug. 1575 as High Baylyff he received Queen Elizabeth at Worcester, and spent on her reception £173 8s. 4d. The Corporation ordered that he should be "recompensed for his great expense," and allowed him £30 as a present. In April his son Christopher Dighton was Joint Searcher in the port of Gravesend.

Thomas Wallesgrove was Bailiff 1560, 1562, M.P. 1572-83, and perhaps eldest son of "John Walsgrove, citizen and mercer, who by Will dated 1567, left 8 houses as a charity to the poor of Worcester, and whose son left a house in Bridport, the rents of which were to go to repair the 8 alms-houses given by his father."

1584. Nov. 7. Richard Nashe. Walter Jones.

Nash was Bailiff 1581, and seems to have been one of the family of Martley, and probably an early ancestor of the Historian, but he cannot be identified in the pedigree in the *Visitation* of 1684. Jones was M.P. Worcester 1584-5, 1586-7, 1588-9, Jan. to April 1593, J.P. co. Worc. in 1601 and (as Jonnes) in 1620. Son of John J. (2nd son of John Jones of Greysmund, co. Monmouth), he was born at Whitteney, co. Oxford, and had a grant of arms from Wm. Dethick, Garter, 1602. He was ancestor of Jones of Chastleton, and his male descent failed in 1828.

1586. Sept. 26. Ralph Wiet. Walter Jones.

Ralph Wyat, "a worthy magistrate who maintained the honour of his city," bought Cudeley from Sir John Huband, and was Bailiff 1570, 1572. His son Wm. Wyatt, was a barrister-at-law, and Town Clerk of Worcester.

1588. Nov. 1. Walter Jones.

John Walesgrove, alias Flete.

John Fleet of Worcester, and afterwards of Hallow Park, was probably brother to the M.P. 1572, but adopted the name of Fleet, and was adm. to Inner Temple Nov. 1578, and called to the bar about 1583. He was M.P. Worcester 1588-9, and was granted 11 June 1599 the office of Queen's Attorney in the Principality and Marches of Wales, which post he held till he res. in Dec. 1609. In 1604 the King's mandate issued to the Dean and Chapter of Worcester requesting them to grant to John Fleet alias Walsgrove the reversion of the lease of Monk's Orchard and other lands. John Wolsgrove commonly called Fleet of Hallow bought the manor of Rydmarley from George Shypoyde. In 1594 license of mortmain was granted to John Walgrave alias Fleet of Worcester to give 6 salt vats at Upwich (Droitwich) to the Mayor and citizens of Worcester for relief of the poor. He granted 15 Sept. 1617 lands in Henwick in trust, half to the poor, and half to the Minister to preach a sermon every Sunday or on alternate Sundays. On 9 Aug. 1617 the King sent a warrant to the Lord President of Wales to admit John Fleete one of the Council of the Marches. Edward Fleet (perhaps his son) was Bailiff 1608.

> 1593. Jan. Walter Jones. Roland Barkley.

Eighth son of Wm. Berkeley, (Mayor and M.P. for Hereford 1545, see Williams' Herefordshire Members), and by his industry became a very eminent and wealthy clothier at Worcester, and purchased considerable lands in Spetchley. He m. Catherine dau. of Thomas Hayward or Heywood, was appointed First Master of the Clothiers' Company of Worcester under the Clothiers Charter 23 Sept. 1590, and having been Bailiff of Worcester 1585, 1587 was M.P. Jan. to April 1593, 1597-8, Oct. to Dec. 1601, and 1605 till his death 1 June 1611.

1597. Oct. 14. Roland Barkley. William Bagnoll.

Wm Bagnall, citizen and clothier of Worcester, was app. one of the First Assistants of the Clothiers Company under their Charter 23 Sept. 1590. The Will of William Bagnoll, of St. Andrew's, Worcester, who d. 30 Oct. was proved Dec. 1624.

1601. Oct. Roland Barkley. Christopher Dighton. (1572).

1604. March. John Cowcher. Christopher Dighton.

John Coucher, of Worcester, son of John C. (one of the two Bailiffs 1563, 1565), was a citizen and weaver, app. first of the first

Assistants of the Clothiers' Company of Worcester under their charter 23 Sept. 1590, Bailiff of Worcester 1593, 1595, Ald. in 1621, M.P. 1604-11, March to June 1614, 1620-2, 1624-5, 1628-9. March to May 1640, and Oct. 1640 till his death. He was aged 80 in 1641, and still living in 1648, but probably never took his seat in the long Parliament, on account of his great age. He tried hard to get out of the election but could not, but Parliament constantly excused his attendance. John Coucher, of Worcester, was fined £10 on 4 March 1631 for not taking knighthood at the coronation of Charles I., and John Coucher, of Redmarley Dabitot was fined £14 for the same offence. Thomas Coucher, eldest son of the Alderman, was one of those who disclaimed at the Visitation 1634.

1605. Jan. 10. Rowland Barkley (see 1593), vice Dighton deceased.

1614. March. Thomas Chettle. John Coucher.

Thomas Chettle, of Worcester (possibly the Thomas Chettall adm. to Gray's Inn 1569), was Bailiff of Worcester 1603, 1605, Ald. in 1621, Mayor 1631, M.P. March till June 1614, fined £20 on 1 Aug. 1631 for not taking Knighthood, m. the dau. of — Hanbury, Auditor to James I., and d. about 1640, aged about 88, (d. in Jan. ——. M.I. Kemsey). He was father of Thomas Chettle, of Needberrow Park, who d. 16 ——— 169—, aged 86. (M.I. Kemsey). Thomas Chettle, of Wall house co. Worc. (the son), m. Mary eldest dau. and co-heir of John Cookes, of Tookey's Farm, co. Worc., bar. at law. Francis Chetle was Mayor of Worcester 1705.

1620. Dec. 15. John Coucher. Robert Barkley

This worthy Judge was 2nd son of the M.P. 1593, from whom he inherited Spetchley in 1611. He was born at Worcester 1584, adm. to Middle Temple 1600, where he was called to the bar 6 May 1608, Autumn Reader of his Inn 1626, Serjeant at law 28 Feb. 1627, King's Serjeant 12 April 1627. He m. Eliz. dau. and co-heir of Thomas Conyers, of East Barnet, Herts, bought Cudeley from Richard Wyat (probably son of the M.P. 15 86), presented to Churchill 7 Dec. 1611, 2 Dec. 1612, to Warmedon 23 Jan. 1615, 21 March 1626, and to Spetchley 16 Jan. 1627, was H.S. co. Worc. 1613, J.P. in 1620, Recorder of Worcester in 1621 and 1623, M.P. 1620-2, 1624-5, app. one of the Council of the Marches of Wales 30 June and sworn in as such at Worcester 13 Oct. 1623, app. one of the Avon compensation Commrs. 9 April 1637, knighted 14 April 1627, and app. one of the Justices of the King's Bench 11 Oct. 1632. He gave his opinion in favour of the legality of Ship-Money, for which judicial act, he was impeached by the Long

Parliament for high treason 13 Feb. 1641, arrested in open Court while sitting on the Bench, and imprisoned in the Tower. In Sept. 1642 the House of Lords deprived him of his office, and sentenced him to a fine of £20,000, of which he actually paid one half. In 1651 his house at Spetchley was burnt by the Scotch Presbyterians, whereupon he converted the stables into a dwelling-house, and lived with content and even dignity upon the wreck of his fortune. Sir Robert Berkeley died 5 Aug. 1656, aged 72. (M.I. Spetchley).

1624. Feb. 3. Robert Barkeley. John Cowcher.

1625. April 26. Sir Walter Devereux, (see County 1624). Sir Henry Spelman.

This was the eminent antiquary. He was son of Henry Spelman of Congham, Norfolk, by Frances dau. of William Sanders of Ewell, Surrey, and was born 1562, was knighted before 1608, M.P. Castle Rising 1593 and 1597-8, and Worcester May to Aug. 1625. He m. in 1590 Elinor dau. and co-heir of John le Strange of Sedgeford, Norfolk, and d. at the house of his son-in-law Sir Ralph Whitfield, in Barbican, and was buried in Westminster Abbey 24 Oct. 1641.

1626. Jan. John Spelman. John Haselock.

The Member for Worcester Jan. to June 1626, was John Spelman of Heydon and Congham, Norfolk, son and heir of Sir Henry S. (see 1625). He studied at Cambridge and at Bras. Coll. Oxon., ent. Gray's Inn 16 Feb. 1608, m. Anne dau. of Sir John Townshend, of Raynham, Norfolk, was knighted 18 Dec. 1641, and joining the King's army at Oxford, died in Brasenose College of the camp disease about 24 July 1643, leaving Anne his widow and executrix, and Roger his son and heir. The House of Commons ordered Sir John Spillman to be sent for as a delinquent 10 Dec. 1642. (Commons Journal). His brother Clement was Cursitor Baron 1663-79. This Member must not be confused with his kinsman John Spelman who was M.P. Castle Rising Nov. 1645 till secluded Dec. 1648, and again April to Dec. 1660, who was of Narborough, Norfolk, 2nd son of Sir Clement Spelman of that place (who d. 1607), by Ursula dau. of Sir John Willoughby of Risley, and was b. 1606, m. Anne, dau. of Sir John Heveningham, and d. 31 Jan. 1662.

John Haselocke of Marten and Worcester, presented to Merton 20 June 1625, 21 May 1640, having bought the manor and presentation from John Wheeler, was one of the two Chamberlains of Worcester (as Hasleocke) in 1621, Mayor (as Harelock) 1623, M.P. Jan to June 1626, 1628-9, and was fined £12 (as Hassellocke) for not taking knighthood 4 March 1631.

1628. Feb. 26. John Cowcher. John Haselooke.

1640. March. 10. John Cowcher. John Nashe.

Ald. John Nash a wealthy clothier of Worcester, founded the charity known as Nash's Hospital, and also left several charitable legacies for clothing apprentices, and setting up young men in business in Worcester. He was son or brother of James Nash, b. 1590, and d. 22 May, 1662, aged 72, bur. at St. Helen's, Worcester. (M.I.) Will made 30 Aug. 1661. He was Mayor 1633, J.P. for the city, and M.P. Worcester March to May 1640, and Oct. 1640, till secluded in Dec. 1648. He commanded a troop of Horse for Parliament, and was one of the Assessment Committee for co. Worcester 1644.

1640. Oct. 20. John Cowcher. John Nashe.

1653. July. No Members appointed for Worcester.

1654. July. William Collins. Edward Elvines.

Capt. William Collins, (? son of John C., of King's Norton, who was fined £10 for not taking Knighthood 4 March 1631), was M.P. Worcester 1654-5, 1656-8, Jan. to April 1659, added to the Committee of co. Worc. by the House of Commons 11 May 1644, app. an Assessment Commr. for county and city of Worcester 1656, and a Sub-Commr. of the Grand Excise for co. Worc. 25 Feb 1650. On 1 Oct. 1651, "request by N. Lechmere M.P. (see Co. 1654) that Capt. Wm. Collins may be added to the County Committee for Worcester, Col. John James (see Co. 1653), not attending, and the work requires expedition. With note for a commission on Major Salway's recommendation." The Committee for Compounding accordingly made an order 7 Oct. 1651 that he be a Commr. for co. Worc., and on 14 March 1654 he was made sole sub-Commr. for co. Worc. He was Governor of Worcester on 9 July 1659 when the Council of State ordered him to assemble his troops, owing to Sir George Booth's rising. On 4 Jan. 1660 Capt. Collins wrote from Worcester College to the Army Commrs.:—"I have given order for the speedy drawing of my troop together for their march according to your directions, but their necessities for want of pay are very great, having been on hard duty for eight weeks, to preserve the peace of this country, which was much disturbed by highway robbers, being considerable parties, and supposed to be of the old enemy, they riding in the posture of soldiers; for this time they have had no money but what I have borrowed, and lent them, besides three years arrears formerly due to them. I shall according to your orders, as soon as I possibly provide to march, give notice thereof to Col. Hacker." (Cal. State Papers).

Edward Elvines (perhaps son of Wm. Elvines senior, baker, who left by will 2 April 1612, the use of 40s. in charity to the poor of St. Michael's, Worcester), was M.P. Worcester 1654-5, Mayor 1646, 1651, an Alderman of the City, one of the Parl. Committee for co. Worc. in 1646, added to the Committee for Sequestrations in co. Worc. 29 July 1648, app. a Sub-Commr. of Sequestrations (or the Grand Excise) for co. Worc. 25 Feb. 1650, an Assessment Commr. for Worcester City 1656. The Comm. for Compounding by order app. him one of the three Sequestration Commrs. for co. Worc. 14 Dec. 1653, but by another order 10 Jan. 1654 made void this appointment. On 2 March 1652 the Council of State recommended the House of Commons to app. John Coucher (see 1604) and E. Elvins, Aldermen of Worcester, to be I.P.s for that City. On 2 May 1654 Elvins petitioned the Protector "to consider his great expenses and sufferings for the public, and give him an estate to live upon in his old age. Had all along been engaged for the Parl., was obliged to fly his country for opposing the Commrs, of Array; he then did his best to engage men when the Earl of Essex came to Worcester; he fled again when Sir Wm. Russell (see Co. 1625), took the city and was away four years till it was reduced. His whole estate being exposed to the enemy he had to live on credit. persuaded to become Mayor on a faithful promise of reimbursement of all charges, there being no other that they would confide in; but Col. Rainsboro' (see Droitwich 1646), being called away and the Committee dissolved he had to undergo that great charge for which he is still in Has been in public service ever since. When the Scots came to Worcester last, petitioner was obliged to fly a third time, but returned with the Parl. army; was then again persuaded by his Highness to take the government of the city, to the hazard of his life among the sick Scots, and is now unable to serve, having hardly a subsistence." The petition was referred to the Committee who reported that £600 should be paid him from delinquents' estates. Accordingly an ordinance was made by the Protector and his Council Sept. 1654 "for payment of £600 for his fidelity when Mayor in 1646 and when Governor in 1651. for his losses by the burning of his house, the plundering of his goods. and his expense in money." (Cal. State Papers).

1656. Aug. Edmund Giles. William Collins.

Edmund Giles, of White Ladie Aston, a relation of Oliver Cromwell by marriage, was fined £10 on 4 March 1631 for not taking Knighthood at the coronation of Charles I., and disclaimed bearing arms at the Visitation 1634. He was called to the bar, and was a Master in Chancery 22 Nov. 1655 to 2 June 1660, M.P. Worcester 1656-8, and app. an Assessment Commr. for county and city of Worcester 1656.

1659. Jan. 18. William Collyns. Thomas Streete.

Son of George Street, of Worcester, he was born there 1625, matric, Linc. Coll. Oxon 22 April 1642, aged 16, ent. Inner Temple Nov. 1646, called to the bar 24 Nov. 1653, Bencher 7 Nov. 1669, but was "fined 100 marks for refusing to come up to the Bench when called," was a member of the Oxford circuit, Town Clerk of Worcester, Mayor 1667, M.P. Jan. to April 1659, April to Dec. 1660, 1661-81, Sub-Secretary to the Dean and Chapter of Worcester 1661-87, J.P. co. Worc. 10 July 1660, Recorder of Worcester in 1682, and of Droitwich in 1683, Serjeant-at-law 3 July 1677, King's Sergeant 23 Oct. 1678, Puisne Justice of the Great Sessions, and ex-officio J.P. for cos. Brecknock, Glamorgan, and Radnor 1667-77, Chief Justice thereof Feb. 1677-81. Knighted 8 June 1681, a Baron of the Exchequer April 1681-4. and a Justice of the Common Pleas Oct. 1684-9. He m. Penelope dau. and co.-heir of Sir Rowland Berkeley of Cotheridge (see 1661), and d. 8 March 1696, and was bur. in Worcester Cathedral (M.I.) The Seasonable Argument for a New Parliament 1677 says he had £500 given him for supporting the Court.

1660. April 10. Thomas Streete. Thomas Hall.

Thomas Hall (? also M.P. co. Lincoln 1654-5, 1656-8), was M.P. Worcester April to Dec. 1660, app. an Assessment Commr. for Worcester city 1656, and J.P. co. Worc. 10 July 1660. It is uncertain who he was as there were several distinct Hall families in co. Worc. He was perhaps the Thomas Hall (son of Richard H. of Ludlow), who matric. Ch. Ch. Oxon. 17 March 1637, aged 17, and was called to the Bar at the Inner Temple 1646, and if so, his sister and heir Mary m. Thomas Vernon, Registrar to the Bishop of Worcester, and next brother to Richard Vernon of Hanbury. Another Thomas Hall was son of Richard H. of St. John's in Bredwardine, co. Worc. The Member was perhaps however a descendant of Richard Hall, Bailiff of Worcester 1582. The petition of Thomas Hall of London, merchanttaylor, concerning the debt Sir Thomas Soame M.P. owed him, was read in the House of Commons 8 Nov. 1644 (Commons Journal).

1661. Apr. 9. Sir Rowland Berkeley Knt. 615. Thomas Streete. 589. John Nanfan (Co. 1656). 544.

Only son of Wm. Berkeley of Cotheridge, by Margaret dau. of Thomas Chettle of Worcester (see 1620), was b. 1613, matric. Ch. Ch. Oxon. 24 Feb. 1632, aged 18, ent. Middle Temple 1627, m. Dorothy dau. of Sir Thomas Cave Knt. of Stamford, was Knighted at Whitehall

30 June 1641, nom. a Knight of the Royal Oak 1660 (his estate £1,000 a year), M.P. Worcester 1661-79, and d. 1696. His sister Jane m. Henry Jeffreys of Holme Castle, (see Droitwich 1708).

1679. Feb. 18. Thomas Streete. Sir Francis Wynnington Knt.

Son of Major John W. and was born at Worcester 7 Nov. 1634, matric. Trin. Coll. Camb., ent. Middle Temple 28 Nov. 1656, called to the bar ex gratia 9 Feb. 1660, Bencher 24 June 1672, Autumn Reader 1675, Treasurer 29 Oct. 1675, K.C. 1672, M.P. Windsor Feb. 1677-9, Worcester 1679-81, Tewkesbury Nov. 1692-8, Solicitor-General Jan. 1675-9 Jan., Knighted 17 Dec. 1672, Chairman of Ways and Means (? 1690) to 1695. Sir Francis who was a great sportsman, m. (1) Eliz. Herbert of Powick, and (2) Eliz. sister and co.-heir to Edward Salway of Stanford, and third and yst. dau. of Edward Salway (see Droitwich 1659), and became sole possessor of Stanford, having obtained the right of the other two sisters therein. In 1674 he purchased for £2765 the title of Samuel Gardiner (see Evesham 1645) to the manor of Bewdley, of which he became the "lord farmer," under the Crown. He presented to Stanford 26 Sept. 1673, and to Wolfrelow, co. Hereford, 1687, made his will 1697, and d. 1 May 1700. (M. I. Stanford). The story that Lord Somers (see 1689), was at one time his clerk in chambers, and that he greatly benefitted him by his kind patronage, is doubtful.

> 1679. Sept. 2. Thomas Street. Sir F. Winnington.

1681. Feb. 5. Sir F. Winnington. 901. Hon. Henry Herbert. W. 803. Thomas Harris. 775.

Mr. Harris petitioned 24 March 1681. As to Mr. Herbert, see Bewdley 1673.

1685. April 7. William Bromley (Co. 1701).
Bridges Nanfan (Co. 1681).

1689. Jan. 11. William Bromley. T. John Somers W.

The celebrated Lord Chancellor was the son of John Somers, of Whiteladies, Worcester, attorney, and was b. 4 March 1651, educ. at Worcester Grammar School, and matric. Trin. Coll. Oxon. 23 May 1667, aged 16. He ent. Middle Temple 24 May 1669, was called to the bar 5 May 1676, Bencher 10 May 1689, Lent Reader 1689, Treasurer 24 Oct. 1690, and declined the Recordship of London 1688. He was adm. an Hon. Freeman of Worcester 1688, Recorder of Gloucester 29 Aug. 1690 till his death in 1716, M.P. Worcester

1689-93, Knighted 37 Oct. 1689, (quaere Chairman of Ways and Means 1689-90), Solicitor General May 1689-92, Attorney General May 1692-3, Lord Keeper of the Great Seal March 1693-7, Lord High Chancellor April 1697 to April 1700, created Lord Somers 2 Dec. 1697, P.C. 23 March 1693, Pres. Royal Society 1698-1703, a Lord Justice of England May to Oct. 1695, May to Oct. 1699, April to Nov. 1697, July to Dec. 1698, and June to Oct. 1699, a Commr. of the Union in Scotland April to July 1706, Lord President of the Council Nov. 1708 to Sept. 1710, a Member of the Cabinet without office Sept. 1714-16, a Governor of the Charterhouse, and Custos Rotulorum of co. Worc. until his death, unmarried, 26 April 1716, aged 65, when the title expired.

1690. March 4. Sir John Somers Knt. William Bromley.

1693. Dec. 5. Samuel Swift. T. 682. Charles Cocks. W. 575.

vice Somers app. Lord Keeper. Mr. Cocks (see Droitwich 1695) pet. against Ald. Swift 23 Dec. 1693, and was awarded the seat by order of the House 7 Feb. 1694, when it was resolved that the right of election was in the Freemen not receiving alms.

1695. Nov. 5. Samuel Swift. William Bromley.

Samuel Swift, of Claines, 2nd son of Wm. S., of Sutton Coldfield, co. Warwick (who d. about 1660, and brother to Wm. Swift, merchant, sugar-baker, grocer, and draper, who was H.S. co. Worc. 1675, aged 57 in 1682, and d. 1688), was H.S. co. Worc. 1693, Ald. of Worcester, Mayor 1684, M.P. 1693-4 when uns. and 1695 until his death 8 Feb. 1718.

1698. Aug. 9. The same.

1701. Jan. 21. Thomas Wylde. W. Samuel Swift. T.

Thomas Wilde, son of Robert W. of the Commandery, Worcester, (who was aged 59 at the Visitation in 1683), born at Worcester 1670, matric. Ch. Ch. Oxon. 18 March 1686, aged 15, B.A. 1689, M.A. 1692, ent. Middle Temple 1691, m. (1) Katherine dau. of Sir Baynham Throckmorton Bt. M.P., of Tortworth, co. Glouc., and (2) 27 Feb. 1720 Anne eldest dau. of Mr. Justice Robert Tracy, and widow of Charles Dowdeswell, of Forthampton, co. Glouc. Mr. Wylde, who greatly impaired his fortune by electoral contests, sat for Worcester 1701-27, when defeated was adm. an Hon. Freeman of Worcester 1697, held office as a Commr. of Revenue in Ireland (£1000 a year) Sept. 1715-27, and was a Commr. of Excise in England Nov. 1727 till his death 12 April 1740.

1701. Nov. 25. The same, re-elected 4 Aug. 1702, 21 May 1705, 17 May 1708, 17 Oct. 1710, 15 Sept. 1713. On 1 Dec. 1710 Ald. Benjamin Pearks pet. against Wylde, but withdrew it 26 April 1711.

1715. Feb. 1. Thomas Wylde. W. — Samuel Swift. W. — Richard Lockwood. T. —

Lockwood petitioned 31 March 1715. (See 1734).

1715. Oct. 11. Thomas Wylde, re-elected on appointment as a Commr. of Irish Revenue.

1718. March. 7. Samuel Sandys of Ombersley, vice Swift dec. Eldest son of Edwin S. of Greenwich (see Co. 1695), b. 1694, matric. New Coll. Oxon. 28 April 1711, aged 16, succ. his grandfather (see Droitwich 1660) in the estates 4 Aug. 1701, m. Letitia elder dau. and co-heir of Sir Thomas Tipping Bt., of Wheatfield, co. Oxford, was app. Chairman of the Committee to inspect the affairs of the disastrous Charitable Corporation Feb. 1733, sat for Worcester 1718 till created Lord Sandys 20 Dec. 1743, distinguished himself (although a Whig) as a speaker against Walpole's ministry, and was called by Smollett "the motion-maker," acted as Teller against the Excise Bill 1733, sworn a P.C. 16 Feb. 1742, was Chancellor and Under Treasurer of the Exchequer and a Lord of the Treasury Feb. 1742-3, Cofferer of the Household Dec. 1743-4 Dec., Chief Justice in Eyre South of Trent Dec. 1755-6 Dec., and North of Trent Feb. 1759-61, First Lord of Trade and Foreign Plantations March 1761 to March 1763, Speaker of the House of Lords Nov. 1756.7 July, presented to Ombersley 12 March 1721, and d. 21 April 1770. His portrait was placed in Worcester Guildhall.

1722. March 30. Thomas Wylde. W. Samuel Sandys. W.

1727. Aug. 29. Samuel Sandys. W. 1703
Sir Richard Lane. W. 1219.
Thomas Wylde. W. 720.

Sir Richard Lane, who was b. 1667, was a sugar-baker at Worcester, Mayor 1709, and when Sheriff of the city checked the extraordinary honours paid to Dr. Sacheverell 1710. He was Knighted Dec. 1714, M.P. Minehead in a double return Dec. 1720, but uns. Jan. 1721, and Worcester 1727-34, supported Walpole, and died one of the Poor Knights of Windsor 30 March 1756, aged 89. His son Henry was made a Commr. for licensing Hawkers and Pedlars Feb. 1733.

Samuel Sandys. W. 1628. 1734. May 3. Richard Lockwood sen. T. 1004. John Willes. W. 600. Richard Lockwood jun. *T*. 163. Edward Willes. W. 31.

Sir John Willes was Attorney General 1733-7, and Lord Chief Justice of the Common Pleas 1737-61.

Richard Lockwood sen. was younger but only surviving son of Richard L. of Gayton, co. Northants, (H.S. 1695, d. 1697), b. 1676, m. Matilda dau. of George and sister of Sir Thomas Vernon of Sudbury, co. Derby, was a London merchant, adm. an Hon. Freeman of Worcester 1715, Dep. Gov. Royal Exchange Assurance Co. June 1732, a Gentleman of the Privy Chamber to the King in 1716 (? app. 1714), M.P. Hindon 1713-15, London 1722-7, Worcester 1734-41, where he failed and pet. 1715, and voted against the Convention 1739. He settled in Essex in 1732, having bought the estate of Dews or Duce Hall, where the family have ever since lived at Bishops Hall, a mansion erected on the same estate. He d. at Dace Hall 30 Aug. 1756, aged 80. His son Richard m. 16 March 1749 Lord Vernon's sister. The present representative of the family, Col. Amelius Richard Mark Lockwood, has been M.P. for the Epping division of Essex since 1892.

1741. May 23. Thomas Winnington. W. 1462. Samuel Sandys. W. 1217. John Ravenhill. 1009.

As to Mr. Winnington see Droitwich 1725. Mr. Ravenhill was H.S. co. Worc. 1745.

1742. March 9. Samuel Sandys, re-elected on being made Chancellor of the Exchequer.

1743. Dec. 27. Thomas Winnington, re-elected on being made Paymaster General.

1744. Jan. 10. Sir Henry Harpur Bt. of Caulk Abbey, co. Derby, viae Sandys raised to the Peerage. Son of Sir Henry H. whom he succ. as 5th Bart. 23 June 1741, matric. Bras. Coll. Oxon. 10 May 1725, aged 16, was adm. an Hon. Freeman of Worcester 1743, m. 16 Sept. 1734 Lady Caroline Manners dau. of John 2nd Duke of Rutland, sat for Worcester 1744-7, and for Tamworth 1747 till his death 1 June 1748, aged 39. His grandson took the name of Crewe 1808. This family was originally of Worcestershire. The grandfather of the 1st Bart. was Mr. Justice Harpur of the Common Pleas temp. Q. Elizabeth.

1746. May 13. Thomas Vernon of Hanbury, vice Winnington dec. Son of Bowater V. and nephew of Thomas V. (see Co. 1715), was b. 7 June 1724, and m. Emma dau. of Capt. James Cornewall of

Berrington, co. Hereford, (see Williams' Herefordshire Members). He was adm. an Hon. Freeman of Worcester 1746, M.P. 1746-61, "when he chose to decline that trust," presented to Shrawley 23 April 1751, and to Hanbury 8 Oct. 1753, 11 Dec. 1764, nom. a Dep. Lieut. co. Worc. 3 Feb. 1763, and d. at Hanbury Hall 9 Dec. 1771. Some of the Cards and Drink Tickets probably used in the Worcester elections 1747-61, are still preserved at Hanbury Hall.

The following is a copy of his "address" in 1753.

Hanbury, August 13th, 1753.

To the Freemen of the City of Worcester.

Gentlemen,

The honour you have conferred in choosing me your Representative in two Sessions of Parliament is a sufficient encouragement for me to offer myself a Candidate for the next General Election: and as my inclinations have always prompted me to serve my County in general, and your city in particular, I hope my conduct has been approved by you, and that you will give me leave to take this method of begging the favour of your Votes and Interest, till I have an opportunity of doing it in person which will greatly oblige.

Gentlemen,

Your most obedient, humble servant,

THOMAS VERNON.

1747. July 1. Thomas Vernon. W. 1557. T. G. Winford. T. 1074. Robert Tracy. W. 1027.

On petition Mr. Winford was uns. and Mr. Tracy declared duly elected 11 Feb. 1748 by order of the House, which resolved "that the right of election is in the citizens not receiving alms, and admitted to their freedom by birth or by servitude or by redemption, in order to trade within the city." Thomas Geers Winford, of Glasshampton, son of Timothy Geers (see Williams' Herefordshire Members), was b. 1697, called to the bar at Lincolns Inn 6 Nov. 1722, adm. an Hon. Freeman of Worcester 1725, m. April 1731 Sarah 3rd dau. and co-heir of Thomas Lutwyche K.C. of Lutwyche, Salop, and thereupon took the name of Winford, his kinsman Sir T. C. Winford Bt. (see Co. 1707) "having settled a considerable estate upon the marriage." (Gent. Mag.) He succ. Sir Thomas in the Glasshampton estate Jan. 1744, sat for Hereford 1727-34, 1741-7, and for Worcester 1747 till uns. Feb. 1748, and was Town Clerk of Worcester for several years until his death 23 May 1753.

Robert Tracy, of Stanway, eldest son of John T. of Swell, b. 1704, matric. New Coll. Oxon. 10 Nov. 1724, aged 18, was a Trustee

for colonizing Georgia in 1739, M.P. Tewkesbury 1734-41, unsucc. cont. Worcester 1747, but gained the seat on petition Feb. 1748 and sat till 1754, and was again defeated and pet. 1761. His brother John Tracy Atkyns was Cursitor Baron of the Exchequer 1755-73.

1754. April 19. Thomas Vernon. W. Henry Crabb Boulton. W.

The latter was of Bedington, Surrey, and was Paymaster of Seamen's Wages to the East India Co. till about 1753. He was a rich London merchant, voted for Wilkes 1769, M.P. Worcester 1754-73, a Director of the East India Co. 11 April 1753-7, 1763-7, Dep. Ch. April 1764, and was Chairman at his death 8 Oct. 1773. He and John Walsh (see 1761) gave £3000 towards building a new bridge at Worcester, for which an Act. of Parl. was obtained 1768.

1761. March 30. H. C. Boulton. W. 1296. John Walsh. W. 1147. *Robert Tracy*. W. 790.

Poll open 5 days. Mr. Tracy unsucc. pet. John Walsh of Warfield, Berks., (which seat was burned down 12 Feb. 1766), and Hockenhall, Cheshire, was brother to Joseph Walsh, Gov. of Madras. He was M.P. Worcester 1761-80, and d. March 1795. He left his property to John Benn of Ormathwaite, Cumberland, who had married his great-niece Margaret dau. of Joseph Fowke of Bexley, Kent, and grand-dau. of Joseph Walsh, and Mr. Benn assumed the name of Walsh by R.L. 4 April 1795, and was made a Bart. 1804. His son was created Lord Ormathwaite 1868.

1768. March 16. H. C. Boulton. John Walsh.

1773. Nov. 25. Thomas Bates Rous. W. 900. Sir Watkin Lewes Knt. W. 635.

vice Boulton dec. Sir Watkin Lewes who pet. 20 Jan. and unseated his rival Feb. 1774, was chosen Ald. of Lime Street Ward in the City of London 1772, Lord Mayor 9 Nov. 1780, M.P. 1781-96, defeated 1796, 1802, and was Father of the City 1804 till his death July 1821, aged 84. He made himself very popular at Worcester, but is said to have died a prisoner for debt in the Fleet.

Mr. Rous was the eldest surviving son of Thomas R. of Piercefield, Monmouthshire, by Mary dau. of Thomas Bates of Northumberland, m. 30 June 1769 Amelia Hunter, was a London merchant, a director of the East India Co. 3 April 1745-9, 26 April 1750-4, 9 April 1755-9, 1777-80, Chairman in Jan. 1763 and Aug. 1764, a Commr. of Lieutenancy for the City of London 21 June 1740, one of the 48 Common Councillors of Worcester in 1797, M.P. Nov. 1773 till

uns. Feb. 1774, and Oct. 1774-84, (quaere Mayor of Evesham 1760), and d. s. p. suddenly at his seat Moor Park, Herts, 1 Feb. 1799. His property devolved upon his brother George Rous M.P., Counsel to the E. I. Co., whose elder son Thomas Bates Rous became Ensign 1st Foot Gaards 23 Nov. 1804, m. Charlotte dau. of Sir Robert Salusbury Bt. M.P. of Llanwern, co. Monmouth, (see Williams' Parl. Hist. of Wales), and inherited his uncle Robert's estate of Courtyrala, Glamorgan, and d. 1850, aged 67.

1774. March 1. Nicholas Lechmere. T. 796. Sir Watkin Lewes. W. 713.

vice Rous, whose election was declared void. Eldest son of Edmund L. (see Co. 1734), b. 1733, m. Susanna dau. of Jesson Case of Powyck, was M.P. Worcester March to Sept. 1774, assumed the additional surname and arms of Charlton 1784, (on inheriting the Charlton estates of his uncle Sir Francis Charlton 4th Bt. of Ludford, co. Hereford, who d. 3 Dec. 1784), and was Col. Worcestershire Militia 17 June 1770-94, and was granted the rank of Col. in the army 14 March 1794. Col. Lechmere-Charlton d. at Ludford Park 20 March 1807.

1774. Oct. 12. T. B. Rous. . . . W. 981.

John Walsh. W. 893.

Sir Watkin Lewes. W. 736.

Edward Bearcroft. W. 312.

Sir Watkin pet. 31 Oct. 1774. Mr. Bearcroft K.C. was called to the bar at Inner Temple 24 Nov. 1758, chosen a Bencher 20 Nov. 1772, M.P. Hindon 1784-90, Saltash 1790-6, and Chief Justice of Chester July 1788 till his death 20 Nov. 1796.

1780. Sept. 19. T. B. Rous. T. 1085. Hon. William Ward. T. 832. Sir Watkin Lewes. W. 701.

The Freemen of Worcester pet. 20 Nov. 1780. Mr. Ward was 2nd son of John 1st Viscount Dudley and Ward, born at Himley, co. Stafford, 21 Jan. 1751, matric. Oriel Coll. Oxon. 14 March 1770, aged 19, m. 1 Aug. 1780 Julia 2nd dau. of Godfrey Bosville, of Gunthwaite, Yorks., sat for Worcester 1780 till he succ. his half brother John (see Co. 1761) as 3rd Viscount Dudley and Ward 20 Oct. 1788, and was Recorder of Kidderminster 1789 till his death 25 April 1823. He was distinguished by the purest and most munificent benevolence of character.

1784. April 2. Hon. William Ward. T. Samuel Smith jun. W.

Of Charrington, co. Glouc. and Putney Hill, eldest son of Samuel S., of London and Epsom, who d. 1789, and kinsman to Lord

Carrington, was b. 19 March 1755, m. Mary, d. of George Lockyer, of Mappleton, Somerset, was a London banker and Turkey merchant, a director of the East India Co. 1784-8, treasurer of the Turkey Co. in 1790, M.P. Ilchester 1780-4, Worcester 1784-90, when defeated, and was buried 29 June 1793.

1789. March 4. Edmund Wigley vice Ward become a Peer. Elder son of Rev. Henry W. of Pensham, (a junior branch of the Wigleys of Scraptoft, co. Leic.), was b. 1758, called to the bar at Middle Temple 6 June 1788, went the Oxford Circuit and Chester Great Sessions, Recorder of Leicester 1787-98, one of the 48 common Councillors of Worcester, and a V. Pres. of the Infirmary in 1797, and M.P. Worcester 1780-1802, when defeated. He m. 24 Sept. 1705 Anna Maria only dau. and heir of Charles Watkins-Meysey, of Shakenhurst, and thereby acquired that estate, and assumed by Act of Parl. the prefix surname of Meysey 15 June 1811. He d. 9 Sept. 1821, aged 63. leaving 2 sons and 3 daughters. His eldest son Edmund assumed the name of Greswolde on inheriting the Malvern Hall estate, near Solihull, and d. unm. 1831, when the estates were divided between his 3 daughters, Anna Maria who m. John Severne, of Thenford, Northants; Caroline who m. Rev. Archer Clive, of Whitfield, co. Hereford; and Mary Charlotte who m. Charles Wicksted, of Betley Hall, co. Stafford, whose 2nd son Charles Wigley Wicksted is the present owner of Shakenhurst.

1790. June 26. Edmund Wigley. T. 959. Edmund Lechmere jun. 892. Samuel Smith. 692.

Edmund Lechmere, of Hanley Castle, 2nd son of Edmund L. (see Co. 1734), and brother to the M.P. 1774, matric. Queen's Coll. Oxon. 23 May 1764, aged 16, B.A. 1768, M.A. 14 Nov. 1770, of Staple Inn, barr.-at-law Inner Temple 13 May 1774, F.A.S., published "Poems and Translations by a Young Gentleman of Oxford" 1770, was M.P. Worcester 1790-6, one of the 48 Common Councillors in 1797, and d.v.p. at Edinburgh 31 Oct. 1798. His half brother Anthony was General Receiver of co. Worc. in 1797, and made a Bart. 1818.

1796. May 25. Edmund Wigley. T. Abraham Robarts. W.

The latter was the son of Capt. Abraham Robarts of Stepney (who was b. 1701, m. 1739 Elizabeth Wildey dau. and sole heir of S. Wildey, of Stepney, the last representative of that family, and d. 7 Oct. 1761). He was b. 27 Sept. 1745, and m. 16 June 1774 Sabine dau. of Thomas Tierney, and sister of Rt. Hon. George Tierney M.P. Mr. Robarts was an eminent London merchant, leading partner in Robarts, Curtis, Robarts, and Curtis, bankers, Lombard Street, established 1772, a

partner in Lechmere and Co., bankers, Worcester, a Commr. of Lieutenancy for the City of London, a V. Pres. of the Worcester Infirmary in 1797, a director of the East India Co. 1788-92, 1793-7, 1799-1803, 1804-7, Col. 1st regt. E. India Volunteers, unsucc. cont. Wootton Bassett 1784, but sat for Worcester 1796 till his death at Taplow 26 Nov. 1816, aged 71. His eldest son Abraham Wildey Robarts sat for Maidstone 1818-37, (see Greville Memoirs), and his grandson Charles Henry Robarts unsuccessfully contested Mid Surrey in 1868. Another son William Tierney Robarts was M.P. St. Albans 1818-21.

1802. July 5. Abraham Robarts. W. 854. Joseph Scott. W. 486. Edmund Wigley. T. 463.

Joseph Scott, of Great Barr, co. Stafford, a large landowner in that county, and a relative of Viscount Dudley (see 1780), only declared himself a candidate after the two old Members had been proposed and seconded. Son of William S., of Aldridge, co. Stafford, he was b. 31 March 1752, matric. Ch. Ch. Oxon. 17 Feb. 1770, aged 17, m. 21 Jan. 1777 his cousin Margaret dau. and heir of Edward Whitby, of Shut End, co. Stafford, was H.S. of that county 1779, M.P. Worcester 1802-6, created a Bart. 30 April 1806, and d. 17 June 1828.

1806. Oct. 29. Abraham Robarts. W. 856. Henry Bromley. W. 563. Wm. Duff Gordon. T. 318.

Poll open 3 days. Mr. Gordon pet. Col Henry Bromley of Abberley Lodge, 2nd son of Wm. B. (son of Francis, son of Henry B. of Holt, who d. 1652), was M.P. Worcester 1806-7 when he res. He was Capt. of an Independent Company till it was disbanded Jan. 1791, when he was placed on half pay, and from Capt. 26th regt. of foot was made Brevet Major in the Army 9 Aug. 1803, and afterwards Lt.-Col. of that regt. He was H.S. co. Worc. 1809, and inherited Abberley Lodge in 1803 on the death of Robert Bromley, the last of that line, whose near relation he was. His dau. Frances Mercy m. 1 Jan. 1829 Rev. Henry Somers Cocks, (grandson of 1st Lord Somers).

1807. Feb. 17. W. D. Gordon. T. 766. — Attersol jun. W. 414.

vice Bromley who retired upon a petition being presented against his return. Poll open 2 days, when 1180 voted. John Attersol, who unsucc. pet. against Gordon's return, was son of a Russia merchant, and sat for Wootton Bassett March 1812 till he res. March 1813. William Duff Gordon was 2nd son of Hon. Alexander Gordon, a Lord of Session as Lord Rockville, and grandson of Wm. 2nd Earl of Aberdeen He was b. 8 April 1772, bred at Cadiz in his uncle's counting house,

and was afterwards engaged in a great mercantile concern there, m. 10 Feb. 1810 Caroline dau. of Sir George Cornewall Bart. M.P., of Moccas Court, Hereford, (see *Williams' Herefordshire Members*), succ. his uncle Sir James Duff, British Consul at Cadiz, by special remainder as 2nd Bart. 20 Nov. 1815, having assumed the prefix surname and arms of Duff by R.L. 9 Oct. 1813, sat for Worcester 1807-18, defeated 1806, 1818, and d. 8 March 1823. In 1813 he was Chairman of the Atlas Fire and Life Assurance Co. (founded 1808).

1807. May 6. A. Robarts. W. W. D. Gordon. T.

1812. Oct. 13. A. Robarts. W. 1248. W. D. Gordon. T. 939. Viscount Deerhurst T. 855.

1765 voted at this election.

1816. Dec. 3. George William (Coventry) Viscount Deerhurst, vice Robarts dec. Elder son of Geo. Wm. 7th Earl Coventry, b. 16 Oct. 1784, matric. Ch. Ch. Oxon. 4 Feb. 1802, aged 17, m. (1) 16 Jan. 1808 Hon. Emma Susanna Lygon (who d. 8 Aug. 1810), 2nd dau. of Wm. 1st Earl Beauchamp, (see Co. 1776), and (2) 6 Nov. 1811 Lady Mary Beauclerk only dau. of Aubrey 5th Duke of St. Albans. His Lordship unsucc. cont. Worcester 1812, but rep. it 1816-26, was app. Lt.-Col. Worcestershire Militia 10 Nov. 1806, Col. thereof 21 Dec. 1838, Dep. Lieut. co. Worc. 14 Dec. 1803, Vice Lieut. 23 May 1826, succ. his father as 8th Earl of Coventry 26 March 1831, and d. 15 May 1843,

1818. June 23. Viscount Deerhurst. T. 1422. Col. T. H. H. Davies. W. 1024. Sir W. D. Gordon. T. 874.

The poll lasted from 16 to 23 June, and 1963 voted. On 2 Feb. Thomas Harper and other electors presented a petition against Col. Davies's return but it was dismissed 23 March 1819. Col. Thomas Henry Hastings Davies of Elmley, elder son of Thomas Davies, Advocate General to the E.I. Co., (who d.v.p. at Calcutta 1792), was b. 27 Jan. 1789, and named after his godfather the celebrated Governor General Warren Hastings, who was a great friend of his father's. At the age of 15 he entered the army as Ensign 52nd Light Infantry 2 June 1804, became Lieut. 31 Jan. 1805, and Captain 4 Feb. 1808, and saw much service in the Peninsular war, being present at the battles of Vimiera, Sabrugal, Fuentes d'Onoro, Pyrenees, Nion, and Nivelle, through all which he passed without receiving a wound. The History of the 52nd Light Infantry in its account of Vimiera 21 Aug. 1808, says:—"The French drove in the skirmishers of the 60th and the 95th regiments, whose retreat was covered by a company of the 95th and

three companies of the 52nd, commanded by Captains Arbuthnot, Chetwynd, and *Davies*." He exchanged as Lieut. and Capt. into the 1st Foot Guards 7 Dec. 1809, with whom he fought at Waterloo 18 June 1815, and was promoted to Capt. and Lt.-Col. 3 July 1815, and received the Waterloo medal. On 25 March 1818 he retired from the Grenadier Guards (which name was given the 1st Foot Guards after Waterloo, for their prowess in defeating the French Grenadiers of the Guard at that battle), by exchanging to half pay of the Chasseurs Britanniques. He was promoted to the rank of Colonel in the army 10 Jan. 1837, and exchanged to the 6th Dragoon Guards 1 March 1839, in order to retire from the army the following day. Col. Davies m. 17 Jan. 1824 Augusta Anne only child of Thomas Champion de Crespigny M.P., of Sudbury, Suffolk. He came forward as a candidate for Worcester in 1816, but did not then proceed to a poll. Soon afterwards he purchased the estate of Elmley Castle from the executors of Mr. Bourne Charlotte, and winning a seat for Worcester in 1818 afterwards held it till 1841, with the exception of the period 1835-7 when he was defeated. In the House Col. Davies constantly seconded or supported Hume in his motions to secure economy in the public service, and acquired from his opponents the soubriquet of "Smollett" after the eminent continuator of Hume's History of England. He was a J.P. co. Worc., and an East India Proprietor. While canvassing at the General Election in Dec. 1834 Col. Davies was thrown out of his carriage, and slightly paralysed, and this gradually increasing necessitated his retiring from Parliament at the dissolution in 1841, and during the last few years of his life he became perfectly helpless. He died s.p. at Elmley Castle 11 Dec. 1846, aged Several interesting souvenirs of his electoral contests are preserved at Elmley Castle by his nephew Lieut.-Gen. H. F. Davies, the present representative of the family, including some silver medals struck in honour of his victory in 1818, (with the words "Colonel Davies 16 June 1818," on one side," and "The friend of the people in advocating a free representation," on the other side), and a gilt eagle formerly attached to the chair in which he was carried round the City after his election in 1826, together with a handsome dinner service, made by Grainger, of Worcester, presented him by his supporters. The election and petition of 1818 cost him about £12,000, while he spent about £8000 on the contest of 1826.

> 1820. March 9. Viscount Deerhurst. Col. T. H. H. Davies.

1826. June 16. G. R. Robinson. W. 1542. Col. T. H. H. Davies. W. 1236. Richard Griffiths. T. 1036.

Poll open 7 days, when 2173 voted. Mr. Griffiths of Thorngrove only came out on the morning of the election. George Richard Robinson of London, was b. 1781, son of a surgeon at Wareham,

Dorset, and engaging in commerce, resided some years in Newfoundland, and realising a fortune, became an East India proprietor, and a merchant and shipowner largely concerned in the Newfoundland trade, a director of the National Bank of England, and Chairman of Lloyds' 1834. He unsucc. cont. the Tower Hamlets 1841, but sat for Worcester 1826-37, and for Poole 1847 till his death at Tunbridge Wells 24 Aug. 1850, aged 69.

1830. July 30. G. R. Robinson. Col. T. H. H. Davies.

1831. May 2. The same.

Robert Adam Dundas was a candidate at this election, but declined taking a poll. He was of kin to Viscount Melville, held office as Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster March to Dec. 1852, sat for Ipswich 1826-31, and in 1835, when uns., Edinburgh 1831-2, N. Lincolnshire 1837-57, took the name of Christopher in lieu of Dundas 1836, and assumed the additional surname of Nisbet-Hamilton 1854, and d. 9 June 1877, aged 73.

1832. Dec. 10. G. R. Robinson. Col. T. H. H. Davies.

1835. Jan. 8. G. R. Robinson. W. 1611.

Joseph Bailey. T. 1154.

Col. T. H. H. Davies. W. 1137.

There were 2940 registered voters, of whom 2217 voted. The split votes were, Robinson and Bailey 659, Robinson and Davies 943, Bailey and Davies 97. The Plumpers were Robinson 23, Bailey 398, Davies 97. George Munn and others petitioned against Mr. Bailey's return, but after 11 days hearing, withdrew.

Joseph Bailey the elder of Glanusk Park, Breconshire, eldest son of Joseph B. of Wakefield, by Susannah dau. of — Crawshay, was b. at Great Wenham, Suffolk, 21 Jan. 1783, m. (1) 10 Oct. 1810 Maria (who d. 27 May 1827), 4th dau. of Joseph Latham of Llangattock, co. Brecon. (2) 19 Aug. 1830 Mary Anne (who d. 26 Jan. 1875) dau. of John Thomas Hendry Hopper of Wilton Castle, Durham, was an extensive ironmaster in cos. Brecon and Monmouth, Vice-Chairman of the Birkenhead Docks Co. in 1851, J.P. cos. Hereford and Glamorgan, J.P. and D.L. cos. Brecon and Monmouth, H.S. co. Monmouth 1823, patron of 8 livings, created a Baronet 5 July 1852, M.P. Worcester 1835-47, and Breconshire 1847 till his death 20 Nov. 1858. By his will he bequeathed Charities to the poor of Breconshire. (See Williams' Parl. Hist. of Wales).

1837. July 22. Joseph Bailey. T. Col. T. H. H. Davies. W.

Mr. Robinson was nominated, but announced from the hustings his intention of retiring.

1841. June 29. Sir Thomas Wilde. W. 1187.

Joseph Bailey. T. 1173.

Robert Hardy. W. 875.

2114 voted out of 2561. Plumpers, Wilde 105, Bailey 883, Hardy 5. Split votes, Wilde and Bailey 251, Wilde and Hardy 831, Bailey and Hardy 39.

Sir Thomas Wilde Knt. was second son of Thomas Wilde of London and Saffron Walden, attorney-at-law, and was born in Warwick square, London 7 July 1782, educ. at St. Paul's School, adm. an attorney and solicitor 1805, and m. (1) 13 April 1813 Mary (who d. 13 June 1840) dau. of Wm. Wileman, and widow of Wm. Devaynes M.P. a wealthy banker, and (2) 13 Aug. 1845 Augusta Emma, Mademoiselle D'Este, dau. of H.R.H. Augustus Frederick, Duke of Sussex. He was called to the bar at the Inner Temple 7 Feb. 1817, and so ably distinguished himself as junior Counsel for Queen Caroline in 1820, that she made him one of her executors. He made such rapid progress at the bar, that he was made Serjeant-at-law 13 May 1824, and one of the King's Serjeants 1827, unsucc. cont. Newark 1829, 1830, Feb. 1831, and 1832, but rep. it 1831-2 and 1835-41, Worcester 1841-6, Knighted Feb. 1840, Solicitor-General Dec. 1839-41, Attorney-General June to Sept. 1841 and for 3 or 4 days in July 1846, Lord Chief Justice of the Common Pleas 7 July 1846-50, Lord Chancellor 15 July 1850 to Feb. 1852, made a Privy Councillor 30 Oct. 1846, created Lord Truro 15 July 1850, and d. 11 Nov. 1855.

1846. July 8. Sir Denis le Marchant Bart. of Chobham Place, Surrey (L.) vice Sir Thomas Wilde made Attorney General. Eldest surviving son of Major General John Gaspard le Marchant, who fell in command of the heavy cavalry brigade at Salamanca 1812, was born at Newcastle-on-Tyne 3 July 1795, and m. 9 Jan. 1835 Sarah Eliza 4th dau. of Charles Smith M.P. of Suttons, Essex, and sister to Sir Charles J. Smith 2nd Bart. He was called to the bar at Lincoln's Inn 17 May 1822, Principal Secretary to the Lord Chancellor (Lord Brougham) Nov. 1830-4, Clerk of the Crown in Chancery July 1834-6, Joint Assistant Sec. of the Board of Trade Feb. 1836-41, Financial Secretary to the Treasury June to Sept. 1841, unsucc. cont. Harwich 1841, M.P. Worcester 1846-7, Private Sec. to the First Lord of the Treasury (Lord John Russell) July 1846-7, Under Sec. of State for the Home Dept. July 1847-8, Joint Sec. to the Board of Trade May 1848-50, and Clerk of the House of Commons (£2000 a year) Oct. 1850 to Feb. 1871,

when he resigned. He was made a Baronet 14 Oct. 1841, edited Horace Walpole's Memoirs of the Reign of George III., and d. 30 Oct. 1874. His lineal ancestor was chief magistrate and lieut. governor of Guernsey in 1204.

1847. July 30. Osman Ricardo. L. 1163. Francis Rufford. P. 1141. Robert Hardy. L. 927.

Osman Ricardo of Bromesberrow Place, eldest son of David Ricardo M.P., the eminent writer of works on currency and banking, was b. 25 May 1795, educ. at the Charterhouse, grad. B.A. Trin. Coll. Camb. 1816, and m. 22 May 1817 Harriet, yst. dau. of Robert Harvey Mallory of Woodcote, co. Warwick. He was app. H.S. co. Worc. 1831, Dep.-Lieut. 1846, M.P. Worcester 1847-65, and d. s.p. 2 Jan. 1881, aged 85.

Francis Rufford of Yew Tree, Bellbroughton, Stourbridge, son of Philip R. of Heath House, near Stourbridge, was in 1847 a banker and glass manufacturer at Stourbridge and Bromsgrove, Chairman of the Oxford, Worcester, and Wolverhampton Railway, a Director of the Birmingham and Oxford, and Birmingham and Wolverhampton Railways, J.P. co. Stafford, J.P. and D.L. co. Worc., and was M.P. Worcester 1847-52 when he res. His widow Sophia d. at Belbroughton 18 May 1858, aged 71.

1852. April 28. William Laslett of Abberton Hall, Pershore, vice Rufford who accepted the Stewardship of the Chiltern Hundreds. Son of Thomas Emmerson Laslett, b. at Worcester 1801, and educ. there, was entered as a student at the Inner Temple 1825, and served all the terms necessary for a call to the bar, but was also articled to Mr. Wm. Wall, solicitor (and banker), of Worcester, and practised as a solicitor at Worcester 183 — till 1846, and was called to the bar at the Inner Temple 30 April 1856. He m. 1842 Maria eldest dau. of Rt. Rev. Robert James Carr, Bishop of Worcester 1831-41, was patron of 6 livings, M.P. Worcester 1852-60 when he res., and 1868-74, when defeated, also unsucc. cont. E. Worcestershire June 1868 and 1874, and d. 26 Jan. 1884, aged 82. He founded and endowed Laslett's Almshouses in Friar Street, Worcester, for 33 aged men and women His portrait is in the Guildhall, Worcester.

1852. July 9. William Laslett. L. 1212. Osman Ricardo. L. 1164. J. W. Huddleston. C. 661.

1857. Mar. 28. William Laslett. L. 1137. Osman Ricardo. L. 1003. Ald. IVm. Sidney. L.C. 615.

1859. April 29. William Laslett. Osman Ricardo.

1860. March 12. Ald. Richard Padmore, of Henwick Hall, vice Laslett res. Eldest son by his 2nd wife of Thomas P. of the Ketley Iron Works, Salop, b. at Ketley 28 Sept. 1789, educ. at Wellington Grammar School, m. 1823 Emma only dau. of John Jones of Worcester, was extensively engaged in business as an ironfounder, Ch. Worcester City and County Banking Company, J.P. co. Worc., M.P. Worcester 1860-8, J.P. and Ald. and twice Mayor, and Sheriff in 1845 of the City, and d. 12 Jan. 1881, aged 91. His portrait is in Worcester Guildhall.

1865. July 12. A. C. Sheriff. L. 1255. R. Padmore. L. 1033. James Levick. C. 978.

Alexander Clunes Sheriff, of Perdiswell Hall and Craycombe House, son of Alexander S., was b. 1816, and m. 1841 Martha eldest dau. of Thomas Tattersall, of Armley, Yorks. He was J.P. and Ald., once Sheriff, and twice Mayor of Worcester City, and was in 1868 Ch. Worcester Royal Porcelain Co., and of the Worcester Engine Works Co., a director of the Metropolitan Ry., Metropolitan District Ry. (Dep. Ch. in 1865 and 1874), Metropolitan and St. John's Wood Ry., the Worcester City and County Banking Co., the Patent Shaft and Axletree Co., and the Russian Vyksounsky Iron Works Co. He sat for Worcester 1865 till his death 17 March 1878, aged 62.

1868. Nov. 17. William Laslett. C. 2439. A. C. Sheriff. L. 2063. T. Rowley Hill. L. 1586. Sir F. Lycett. L. 1269.

Sir Francis Lycett Knt. unsucc. cont. Liskeard 1869, Worcester 1868, 1878, and St. Ives 1874, 1875. He died 1880. As to Mr. Laslett, see 1852.

1874. Feb. 6. A. C. Sheriff. L. 2284. T. Rowley Hill. L. 2164. J. D. Allcroft. C. 1958. W. Laslett. C. 1672.

Thomas Rowley Hill, of St. Catherine's Hill, Worcester, only son of William Hill F.R.A.S., of Worcester, who d. 1859, was born at Stourport I March 1816, educ. at Univ. College, London, and m. (1) 5 June 1838 Esther (who d. 5 May 1839) only child of Richard Evans, J.P., of Worcester, and (2) 26 July 1842 Mary Hilditch, (who d. 26 Dec. 1891), dau. of Edward Evans J.P., of Worcester. He was Sheriff of Worcester City 1858, Mayor 1859, made J.P. for the City 1860, and

for the County 1865, H.S. co. Worc. 1870, D.L. thereof 1874, J.P. co. Hereford 1880, was a member of the Worcester and Suckley School Boards in 1879, and M.P. Worcester 1874-85, being defeated there 1868, 1885, 1886. Mr. Hill was a very charitable man, and during his lifetime founded and endowed Almshouses for four aged women in Berwick Street, Worcester. He d. 9 Oct. 1896.

1878 March 28. J. D. Allcroft C. 2609.

Sir F. Lycett. L. 2155.

vice Sheriff dec. John Derby Allcroft, of Stokesay Castle, Salop, an eminent philanthropist, was only son of Jeremiah Mackin Allcroft, of Worcester, merchant, by Hannah only dau. of Thomas Derby, and was b. 19 July 1822, and m. (1) 1854 Mary Annette (who d. —— 1857), dau. of Rev. Thomas Martin, and (2) 9 Aug. 1864, Mary eldest dau. of John Blundell, of Timsbury Manor, Hants. He was a Commr. of Lieutenancy for the City of London, Lord of the Manors of Onibury and Stokesay, patron of 5 livings, Treasurer and a Governor of Christ's Hospital, M.P. Worcester 1878-80, unsuccessful 1874, 1880, J.P. Salop 1871, and d. 29 July 1893.

1880. April. T. Rowley Hill. L. 2718. Æneas McIntyre. L. 2511. J. D. Alkroft. C. 2502.

Æneas John McIntyre Q.C., of London, only son of Æneas McIntyre LL.D. and F.L.S., of King's Coll., Aberdeen, and Hackney, was b. 1821, and m. 1854 Eleanor dau. of George Corbett. He ent. Middle Temple 6 Nov. 1843, was called to the bar 20 Nov. 1846, Q.C. 8 Feb. 1872, Bencher 27 May 1873, went the North Wales and Chester circuit, was elected a member of the Bar Committee Dec. 1883, M.P. Worcester 1880-5, unsucc. cont. N. Hackney Nov. 1885, and was app. County Court Judge for circuit No. 12 (Yorkshire), 1 Jan. 1889, but d. 19 Sept. following.

At the dissolution in Nov. 1885, the City of Worcester was deprived of one of its Members, by virtue of the Redistribution of Seats Act 1885.

1885. Nov. 25. G. H. Allsopp. C. 2974. T. Rowley Hill. L. 2890.

George Higginson Allsopp, of Foston Hall, Derby, 3rd son of Henry 1st Lord Hindlip (see E. Worcestershire 1874) was b. 28 March 1846, educ. at Eton, B.A. Trin. Coll. Camb. 1868, M.A. 1871, and m. 16 July 1895 Lady Mildred Georgiana Ashley 3rd dau. of Anthony 8th Earl of Shaftesbury. He became Sub-Lieut. Worcestershire Yeomanry

10 June 1874, J.P. 1883, and D.L. co. Stafford, J.P. co. Derby, Ch. Burton-on-Trent School Board, twice Mayor of Burton, a director of S. Allsopp and Sons Ld. Burton-on-Trent, became "Honourable" 16 Feb. 1886, unsucc. cont. Droitwich 1880, but has sat for Worcester since 1885.

1886. July 2. Hon. G. H. Allsopp. C. 2892. T. Rowley Hill. G.L. 2749.

1892. July. Hon. G. H. Allsopp. C. 3353.

Esmé Wm. Howard. G.L. 2540.

A petition was presented against Mr. Allsopp's return, but on trial was dismissed. Mr. Howard was born 15 Sept. 1863, the yst. son of Henry Howard M.P., of Greystoke Castle, Cumberland, and Thornbury Castle, co. Glouc. (nephew of 12th Duke of Norfolk).

1895. July 15. Hon. G. H. Allsopp. C. 3530. *J. T. Hincks*. R. 2328.

The registered electors were 2366 in 1832, 5642 in 1868, 5464 in 1874, 6323 in 1884, 6999 in 1892, and 7617 in 1895. The Sheriff of the City of Worcester is the Returning Officer.



MEMBERS FOR DROITWICH.

1295. Hugh Aleyn. Peter Bond.

On I Jan. 1301 the Abbot of Shrewsbury going to the Court of Rome received Letters Patent nominating Master Roger de Wenlock and Hugh, son of William Aleyn, of Minstersle, his attorneys until Whitsunday. (Patent Rolls). Peter Bond was again M.P. 1301.

1298. John de Herdiwyk. Richard Falck.

Three members of the Falke family sat for Hereford in 1420, and 1435. (See Williams' Herefordshire Members).

1300. March. John Wyget. William de Malverne.

John Ungeun. Peter Bonde.

In the Enrolment of the Writ de Expensis they are called Uniun and Bude.

1306. John Allot. Thomas Ingram.

The latter again sat 1309, 1311.

Thomas Aleyn.
Thomas Ingeram.

1311. Aug. Thomas Aleyn.

One Burgess only was returned. Aleyn was evidently son or brother of the M.P. 1295.

1311. Nov. Thomas Aleyn. Thomas Ingeram.

After this Parliament no further returns are found for the Borough of Droitwich or Wych, until 1554, and it seems clear that like other small Boroughs, it was during this period relieved of its right of sending

two Burgesses to Parliament, and probably in like manner for the same reason, namely, at its own request in order to save the expense of paying wages to its Members, which was always regarded as a great burden. In 1554 however the Borough was again empowered to choose Members, by Philip and Mary, the first two or three returns being for the "Borough of Wick."

1554. Nov. 3. George Newporte. Robert Wyth.

George Newport was M.P. Nov. 1554 to Jan. 1555, and Oct. to Dec. 1555; and was a resident of Droitwich. (Quaere if his will proved at Worcester 1560). Both he and the M.P. 1559 (perhaps his brother or son) were doubtless of the same family as the Newports of Henley Court, a manor said to have been acquired by them temp. Edward VI.

Robert Wyth of Droitwich, 2nd son of John Wythe, was b. 1523, adm. to Inner Temple Feb. 1549, and became a Bencher, was Reader of his Inn 1572, Treasurer 1576, M.P. Droitwich Nov. 1554-5 Jan., Oct. to Dec. 1555, 1558, Jan. to May 1559, 1562-7, and d. at Droitwich 24 Dec. 1586, aged 63. (M.I. St. Peter's).

1555. Oct. 15. George Newport. Robert Wyth jun.

1558. Jan. Robert Wyithe. Droitwich. Droitwich. Borough.

Robert Wyethe. Wick Walter Gower. Borough.

This apparently Double Return is clearly a blunder of some official, who did not know that Droitwich and Wick were one and the same, so made a return for both. Walter Gower may have been son of William G. of Holdfast in Ripple, who was H.S. co. Worc. 1549. He was a member of the right ancient family of Gower of Colemers, but he cannot be satisfactorily identified in the *Visitation* pedigrees.

1559. Jan. 4. Francis Newport. Robert Wyyth.

The return is for Droitwich Borough (Wichium).

1562. Dec. Robert Wyethe. Walter Gower.

The return is this time for Droitwich (aiias Wick) Borough.

1571. April. Francis Brace. Francis Kinwelmarsh.

Francis Brace or Bracey of Rushock and Dordall, co. Worc., was M.P. 1571, 1586-7, 1588-9. He was a scion of the ancient family of de Bracy, his father being Wm. Bracey of Dordall, and his mother Margery dau. and co-heir of Wm. Porter. He m. Mary dau. of Robert Purslow of Sydbury, Salop, and entered his pedigree at the *Visitation* of 1569.

Francis Kinwelmarshe was also M.P. Bossiney 1572-83. Of kin to Anthony and Robert Kindlemarch who ent. Gray's Inn 1561 and 1563.

1572. April. John Russell (see County, 1586). William Sebright.

Of Blackshall, in Wolverley, was 2nd son of Edward Sebright, of Blakeshall. He was Town Clerk of London 16 Eliz., and purchased Besford from the Harewells about the same time. He died s.p. 1620, being styled "the loving father of the poor of Wolverley." He left his estate of Besford to his nephew Edward, who was made a Baronet 1626.

1584. Nov. 5. George Wild. Jasper Cholmeleie.

George Wylde, of Kemsey, eldest son by 2nd wife of Thomas W. of the Commandery in Worcester, (see Worcester 1558), was b. 1550, adm. to the Inner Temple Nov. 1567, called to the bar, Bencher 1591, Reader 1607, Treasurer 1603-5, Sergeant-at-law 1614, one of the Council of the Marches of Wales 7 July 1602, M.P. Droitwich 1584-5, 1593, 1604-11, J.P. co. Worc. in 1601, m. Frances dau. of Sir Edmund Huddleston of Sawston, co. Camb., and was bur. at Droitwich 1616, aged 66.

Jasper Cholmley who was also M.P. for Plympton 1586-7, was probably Jasper Cholmley, of the E.R., co. York, and of Highgate, Middlesex, whose daughter m. William Clayton, of the Inner Temple, and of Okenshaw, co. York, and was ancestor of the Claytons of London.

1586. Oct. 1. Francis Brace. George Lyttelton.

Of Groveley, son of Roger L., ent. Inner Temple Nov. 1574, called to the bar 1583, was M.P. Droitwich 1586-7, died 23 May 1600, was bur. in Bromsgrove Church. His uncle Sir John Lyttelton, one of the Council of the Marches of Wales, purchased the Groveley estate, and devised it to him 1590.

1588. Nov. 2. Francis Brace. William Combes.

William Combe was also M.P. for Warwick 1593, and for co. Warwick 1597-8. He was one of the Combe family of Old Stratford in Warwickshire, and possibly a brother to Shakespeare's "John a Combe."

1593. Jan. Robert Walter. George Wielde.

Robert Walter may have been a younger son of Edmund Walter of Ludlow, Chief Justice of the Brecknock circuit, and brother to Sir John Walter, Lord Chief Baron of the Exchequer 1625-30.

1597. Oct. 3. John Acton. Thomas Bailis.

John Acton was perhaps 5th son of Wm. Acton M.P. Bridgnorth 1550, 1554, and quaere the same as John Acton of Salop who matric. Ball. Coll. Oxon. 14 June 1582, aged 28. More probably, however, he was son of Humphrey Acton of Burton, who d. 1590. If so he founded the Actons of Wolverton, an estate he inherited through his mother Alice sister of Wm. Cooksey of Wolverton.

Thomas Bailis matric. Magd. Hall, Oxon. under date 7 July 1578, aged 16, as Thomas Baylyes of co. Worc., and ent. Lincoln's Inn 1583, then formerly of Lyon's Inn.

1601. Oct. 6. John Buck. Humphrey Wheler.

Humphrey Wheler of Martin Hassingtree, co. Worc. was 2nd son of William W. of that place, and heir to his brother John. He m. Joan dau. of Wm. Davies, sat for Droitwich Oct. to Dec. 1601, and presented to Merton 9 March 1611. Probably the same as Humphrey Wheler of Ludlow, who entered the Inner Temple Nov. 1581. His grandson was made a Baronet 1660.

Sir John Buck of Hamby Grange, co. Lincoln, and Nash co. Worc., son of Francis B. of Nash, matric. Magd. Hall, Oxon. under date 25 Feb. 1581, aged 15, ent. Inner Temple 1586, M.P. Droitwich Oct. to Dec. 1601, Knighted 23 July 1603, and d. 1648.

1604. March 14. George Welde. John Brace.

John Brace of Hill Court, son and heir of Philip B., matric. Exeter Coll. Oxon. 8 Nov. 1594, aged 16, m. Cecily dau. of Sir Samuel Sandys of Ombersley (see County 1609), and sat for Droitwich 1604-11.

1614. March. Edwyn Sandys. Ralph Clare.

As to the latter, see Bewdley 1624. Sir Edwin Sandys was eldest son and heir of Sir Samuel S. of Ombersley (see Co. 1609), b. 1591, matric. Corpus Christi Coll. Oxon. 13 Nov. 1609, aged 18, ent. Middle Temple 1610, m. Penelope dau of Sir Richard Bulkeley of Baron Hill, Anglesea, (see Williams' Parl. Hist. of Wales), was Knighted v.p. at York 12 April 1617, M.P. Droitwich March to June 1614, Pontefract April 1621-2, and d. 26 Sept. 1623, bur. at Wickhambrook.

1620. Dec. 11. Sir Thomas Coventry Knt. John Wylde. (See Co. 1640).

Sir Thomas Coventry, of Croome D'Abitot, eldest son and heir of Sir Thomas Coventry who was made a Justice of the Common Pleas 1606, by Margaret dau. and heir of - Jefferies of Croome D'Abitot, was b. there 1578, matric. Ball. Coll. Oxon. 15 Dec. 1592, aged 14, ent. Inner Temple 1504, called to the bar 19 May 1603, went the Oxford circuit, Bencher 18 Aug. 1614, Autumn Reader 1616, Treasurer 1617-23, one of the Judges of the Sheriff's Court, London, till app. Recorder of London 17 Nov. 1616, Solicitor General 14 March 1617-21, Knighted 16 March 1617, M.P. Droitwich Dec. 1620-1 Jan., Attorney General 11 Jan. 1621-5, P.C. 30 Oct. 1625, and Lord Keeper of the Great Seal of England 1 Nov. 1625, till his death in London 14 Jan. 1640, bur. at Croome 1 March. His Lordship was created Lord Coventry 10 April 1628, and m. (1) before 1606 Sarah sister of Sir Edward Sebright 1st Bt., (see 1572), and dau. of John S. of Besford, by Anne dau. of Richard Bullingham (see Worcester 1559), and (2) before 1610 Elizabeth widow of Wm. Pitchford, and dau. of John Aldersley, of Spurston, Cheshire. He was made a Governor of the Charterhouse 31 Oct. 1621, Joint Keeper of Houghton Park, Beds., 20 June 1623, a Commr. of Claims for the Coronation of Charles I., 24 Jan. 1626, High Steward of Cambridge 19 April 1626, High Steward of Kingston-on-Hull and Recorder of Boston 1633, High Steward of St. Alban's, one of the Council of the Marches of Wales 12 May 1633, a Councillor for the Colonies 28 April 1634, and to the Queen 22 May 1634, and a Commr. of Regency 26 March 1639. He presided as Lord High Steward of England at the trial of Lord Audley 25 April 1631. His portrait is in Worcester Guildhall.

1621. Feb. 17. Ralph Clare (see Bewdley 1624), vice Coventry made Attorney General.

1624. Feb. Walter Blounte. John Wilde.

Walter Blount, of Soddington, eldest son and heir of Sir George Blount (H.S. 1603), matric. Ball. Coll. Oxon. 12 Oct. 1610, aged 16, ent. Inner Temple 1611, was H.S. co. Worcester 1620, M.P. Droitwich 1624-5, and created a Baronet 5 Oct. 1641. Sir Walter m. Elizabeth dau. of Serjeant George Wilde (see 1584), and sister of his colleague Lord Chief Baron Wilde, and suffered greatly in the cause of Charles I., being imprisoned at Oxford and in the Tower of London. He d. 27 Aug. 1654, and was bur. at Peyton, Devon.

1625. May 2. John Wylde. Thomas Coventry (see Co. 1628).

1626. Jan. 24. The same.

1628. Feb. 28. John Wylde. George Wylde.

Two Brothers. On 4 April 1628, a complaint was made to the House by "Mr. Wild concerning an unfit letter about the election." George Wylde was the younger son of the M.P. 1584, and matric. Ball. Coll. Oxon. 18 March 1608, aged 14, B.A. 24 Jan. 1611, barr.-at-law Inner Temple 16 April 1618, Bencher 14 June 1635, M.P. Droitwich 1628-9, and Dec. 1648 till his death 15 Jan. 1650.

1640. March 12. John Wylde. Samuel Sandys (see Co. 1661).

1640. Oct. 19. Endymion Porter. Samuel Sandys.

The celebrated courtier Endymion Porter who was probably returned through the influence of the Windsor family, was elder son of Edmond Porter of Aston-sub-Edge, Glouc., by his cousin Angelica dau. of Gyles Porter of Mickleton, co. Glouc., b. 1584, adm. to Gray's Inn 9 March 1620, sat for Droitwich Oct. 1640 till disabled to sit by Parliament 10 March 1643, and was bur. in St. Martin's in the Fields 20 Aug. 1649, aged 65. He possessed a taste for literature and art, and was the author of some verses. He was interpreter to Lord Nottingham's mission to Spain 1605, having been brought up in Spain, and been some time a Page in the household of Olivares. He then entered the service of Edward Villiers, and afterwards of his brother George Marquis of Buckingham, through whose influence he was app. Groom of the Bedchamber to Prince Charles, which post he afterwards held under the King, being for 30 years the personal attendant of Charles I., to whom he rendered the most faithful and devoted services.

Being in favour with James I. he was sent on the preparatory mission to Spain Oct. 1622, and was app. to attend Prince Charles on his celebrated visit there as one of the Gentlemen of the Bedchamber 1623, and this post he occupied until the King's death in Jan. 1649. Previously to this he was of the Duke of Buckingham's household (probably his Secretary), for the Cal. State Papers 1619 makes mention of him in one of its gossiping letters, as follows, "Porter, Buckingham's servant, to marry Lady Roos," though this rumour turned out to be false. On 30 Dec. 1618 the Crown granted to Endymion Porter and Richard Peate for 7 years all the fines for non-payment of the subsidy and exportation of prohibited goods, or in other words they became "Farmers of goods forfeited for non-payment of Customs." In consequence of their complaint that they were likely to lose money by this office they were further granted on 17 Sept. 1619 permission to assign over debts to the King, to enable them to pay their rent of £800 for the above goods. On 16 Nov. 1619 Porter obtained a lease from the Crown of Exminster Rectory, Devon, "he having found out the King's right to the same, on condition of his repairing the premises and paying £50 a year to a curate." On 16 May 1625 Secretary Conway (see Evesham 1621) ordered the Attorney General Coventry (see 1620) to prepare 6 several grants of £500 pension to the Grooms of the Bedchamber, Endymion Porter's name coming last of the six, and on 24 May following he was granted a pension of £500 a year accordingly. (Privy Seals). Whether he held the office of Groom Porter is uncertain, but as shewing his confidential position at Court, Sir William Russell (see Co. 1625) wrote to Porter, from Witley, in 1629, stating "that his sister Wintour's eldest boy was believed to have the King's evil, and that there was no cure except the Royal touch; asking what time would be most convenient for the King to receive him," and the Cal. State Papers for that year contains several other references to the same matter. He was sent on a further mission to Spain 1628, and was app. Collector and Receiver of the Fines in the Star Chamber 9 July 1628, which he still held in 1635. He purchased the post of Surveyor of Petty Customs in the Port of London, and had also an interest in the Soap Monopoly. His unsuccessful Embassy to the Cardinal Infante Ferdinand of Spain (Gov. of the Low Countries), is thus referred to:— " Jan. 1635, Mr. Porter sent to congratulate the Cardinal Infante has returned, having received no great satisfaction, for the Prince never moved his hat or foot." Jan. 1635, "Warrant to pay him £2000, one for his late message to the Infante Cardinal, the other for divers services done to His Majesty without account." On 15 Nov. 1637 the Court of Wards granted to Francis Lord Dunsmore and Endymion Porter the custody of Wm. Lord Boteler, an idiot, with his estates rents and goods. The King also gave him a grant of the Wandsworth estate. On 2 March 1638 Articles of Agreement were drawn up between Endymion Porter, Groom of the Bedchamber, of the first part, Wm. Ward of the second part, and Gerrard Wright, alias Herbert, of the 3rd part, for draining

marsh and surrounded lands in cos. Carmarthen, Pembroke, and Glamorgan, and the division of the lands so to be gained. On 15 Feb. 1642 the House of Commons resolved, "that Mr. Endymion Porter, of the Bedchamber, is thought fit to be removed from the Persons and Courts of the King and Queen, as one that is conceived to give dangerous counsel." (Commons Journal). He was active in secret services for the King during the Civil War, and Parliament always excepted him from indemnity. He is said to have been Colonel of the 7th regt. of foot, but this was probably only a nominal command. left England in 1645, and fled to France, and then to Brussels. By the Committee for Advance of Money he was assessed at £2000 on 28 July 1644, and an order was made 2 July 1645 that his goods, which were at Lord Butler's, Woodhall, Herts, be seized and secured. 3 Nov. 1645, Order that Porter pay £14 6s. od. for salary and expenses in seizing and appraising the goods. 16 Jan. 1650, "On information that Dr. Charlton owed the late Endymion Porter £ 10 for which Porter did not compound, order that Charlton pay it to this Committee, unless Porter's executor Sir Wm. Russell (see County 1625), show cause to the contrary." In addition to this he had also to encounter the Committee for Compounding, for on 17 April 1649, "Endymion Porter of Mickleton and Aston-under-Edge, co. Glouc. (the late value of his estate being £260, and the present, 1648, value £150), begs to compound for delinquency in attending the King being one of His Majesty's servants in ordinary, both at Oxford and elsewhere. Never took any command nor bore arms in the war. 29 June, Fine at one-half, £222 10s. od., allowance being made for a debt of £1750." In 1619 or 1620 Porter married Olive 4th dau. of John, 1st Lord Butler, of Bramfield, (by Elizabeth, sister of George Villiers, 1st Duke of Buckingham), and co-heir to her brother the above mentioned William, 2nd Lord Butler, who died 1647. Of their five sons, the eldest George Porter was Groom of the Bedchamber to Charles II.; the 2nd son Charles was killed in the war against the Scots 1640; and the yst. son James Porter was Vice Chamberlain to Endymion Porter made his will 26 March 1639, his executors being his wife Olive, and the Earls of Worcester and Newcastle. He was one of the handsomest men of his time, and many particulars concerning him may be found in Clarendon's and Rapin's Histories, and in Evelyn's Memoirs. There exist several portraits of him by Vandyck, but especially a family piece of himself, his wife, and three of his sons, which is esteemed one of that painter's finest productions.

1646. Dec. Thomas Rainsborough. Edward Wilde.

vice Porter and Sandys disabled to sit.

Edward Wilde, apparently son of Sir Edward W. of Kempsey, by Dorothy dau. and heir of Sir Francis Clarke of Houghton Conquest,

co. Bedford, and cousin to Chief Baron Wilde (see County 1640), matric. Ch. Ch. Oxford 29 Nov. 1633, aged 15, barr.-at-law Inner Temple 1644, and was one of the Committee of the Navy in 1650. He sat as M.P. 1646-53, but seems to have been dead before 1659.

Major-General Thomas Rainsborough was the son of Capt. William Rainsborough, a gallant sailor, who was Admiral of the English Fleet employed against the Turks at Sallee in June 1637 (see Carte's History of England, vol. 4, p. 231), and afterwards was M.P. for Aldeburgh (Suffolk), March to May 1640, and Oct. 1640 till his death in 1642. (His burial on 16 Feb. 1642 as the Grand Admiral and General Captain Rainsborough is mentioned in Cal. State Papers). The son was brought up at sea, and commanded the Swallow of 34 guns in 1643. He took a very active part in the Civil War on the side of Parliament, and, had he lived, would probably have proved a thorn in Cromwell's side. As was not unusual at that time, he held command on land, as well as on sea, and with the rank of Colonel assisted Fairfax in the defence of Hull, but was taken prisoner in the sally which raised the siege. He fought at Naseby, took part in the siege of Bristol, and was Governor of Woodstock and Taunton On 3 May 1643 "the humble petition of Capt. Thomas Rainsborough was read and ordered to be referred to the Committee for Irish affairs, to take order for the speedy relief and satisfaction of Petitioner," and on 17 June 1643, "Upon the petition of Capt. Thomas Rainsborough complaining that being Vice Admiral to the Lord Forbes in the late Irish expedition and Commissary General of land forces he had overpaid certain sums, and asking for payment to him back again, all suits were stayed against him till his return, he being Captain of the Lyon under the Earl of Warwick." On 4 Nov. 1643, "upon petition of Margaret wife of Col. Thomas Rainsborough it was resolved, that this House approve of the exchange of Capt. Kettleby, prisoner to the Parliament here at London, for Col. T. R. now prisoner to the Earl of Newcastle, and taken at the siege at Hull." (Commons Journal). He appears to have been Col. of a reg. 1643 to April 1645 chiefly stationed in Lincolnshire, and in Nov. 1644 he was endeavouring to reduce Crowland and to secure the Isle of Ely. The Committee of both Kingdoms ordered 7 May 1645 that orders be sent him to march up to join Cromwell. On 30 Sept. 1645 Sir Harry Vane jun. wrote to his father, stating that "Berkeley Castle has surrendered to Col. Rainsborough upon composition, since the taking of Devizes." He was at this period very actively employed. Being app. by the House to command the foot at Banbury 10 Feb. 1646, he was ordered 9 March to Reading to dispose of the recruits as he thought best, "the Henley horse to receive orders from Col. R." He and Col. Fleetwood were ordered to block up Oxford 28 March, and on 3 April he was actively engaged in besieging Woodstock Manor, the Committee of the Army being ordered 10 April to furnish him with £100. Sir W. Fleetewood and John Ashbournham received the King's instructions 25 April 1646, to treat with Col. R. for His Majesty's safe conduct to London. He

succeeded Col. Edward Whalley in the siege of Worcester about 10 July. and the City surrendered to him 19 July 1646. In 1647 Col. R., who was not wanting in the energy requisite for leading a party, was in favour of the demands of the Independent Agitators, and called for the punishment of those who had entered into an understanding with the King. (Ranke's History). On 16 May 1647 he was making preparations to reduce Jersey. He was sent by the army at Hounslow Heath to take possession of the city 3 Aug. 1647. On 20 Sept. 1647, "high language passed between him and Cromwell at a Council of War," while on 4 Nov. "Cols. Rainsborough and Pride and Henry Martin have won Cromwell through fear to side against the King." On 15 Nov. "Col. R. has tried to prevent a division in the army. He and Martin laboured to impeach Cromwell of treason," but the tables turned, for on 18 Nov. "Col. R. and Major Scott are suspended the House." Peace was soon, however, made between him and Cromwell. The House of Commons app. him 27 Sept. 1647, to be "Captain of the ship Happy Entrance, and Vice Admiral of the Fleet app. for the next Winter Guard," to which proposition the House agreed 2 Oct., while on 8 Oct. the Commons also nominated him Commander in Chief of the said Fleet, and ordered him to watch the Isle of Wight with 4 ships 22 Dec. 1647, as they greatly feared that the King would be rescued from Carisbrooke Castle. The Commons gave their Warrant 3 Nov. 1647 to pay him £1000 for arrears. When he went to rejoin his naval command in the spring, after an absence of some time on shore, a mutiny broke out among the Fleet in the Downs, commenced on his own ship, which would not receive him aboard again. Whether it was occasioned by his own faults, for he was a man of a rough imperious nature, or whether it was owing to a dislike to serve under a land officer, the result was nearly being disastrous to the Parliament, for Rainsborough, who narrowly escaped being hanged by his own sailors, was put into a boat and sent on shore, while prompted by the secret agents of the royalists, whose hopes rose high on this occasion, about half the fleet weighed anchor, and sailing over to Holland placed themselves under the command of the Duke of York. An interesting account is given in Lord Clarendon's History of the Rebellion of the incidents attending Col. Rainsborough's death, which took place at Doncaster 29 Oct. 1648, when he was surprised at night in his bed, by a party of the garrison of Pomfret Castle, and afterwards killed to prevent his escape. This event made a great stir at the time, for "there was not an officer in the army whom Cromwell would not as willingly have lost as this man, who was bold and barbarous to his wish, and fit to be intrusted in the most desperate interest. He was bred at sea and was son of an eminent commander at sea lately dead, but he himself, from the time of the new model, had been an officer of foot in the army, and was a Colonel of special note and account, and of Cromwell's chief confidents." The Commons on 3 Nov. ordered "that it be specially recommended to Lord General Crumwell forthwith to

make a strict and exact scrutiny of the manner of the horrid murder of Col. R. and to certify the same to the House." A Letter from London dated 9 Nov. 1648, to be found in the Clarendon Papers, gives an account of his death at Doncaster by Capt. Palden's party of horse. On 17 Dec. 1650 information was laid before the Committee for Advance of Money against Robert Portington, of Hatfield, Yorkshire, "that he was a soldier and officer for the King through the war in Pontefract Castle, confederate with the party that killed Col. R." Parliament ordered 22 June 1650 that his widow should have "£100 at once and £200 a year till an Act be passed for settling lands upon her," and on 23 Sept. 1653 Somerton manor, Somerset, was bought by Major John Wildman for Margaret widow of Col. T. R. and William her son in payment of £3,000 granted them by Parliament to pay Col. R.'s debts, while on 18 July 1654 West Derby and Treales manor, Lancashire, were also purchased for them.

1648. Dec. 7. George Wylde (see 1628), vice Rainsborow deceased. Mr. Wylde d. 15 Jan. 1650, and the vacancy remained unfilled till the Long Parliament was forcibly expelled by Cromwell 20 April 1653.

1653, July. 1654, July. 1656, Aug. No Members summoned from Droitwich.

1659. Jan. John Wylde (see Co. 1640). Edward Saloway.

Edward Salway of Stanford, eldest son of Humphrey S. (see Co. 1640), born 1603, matric. Bras. Coll. Oxon. 10 Nov. 1621, aged 18, barr.-at-law Inner Temple 1635, m. Dorothy 3rd dau. of Sir Erasmus Dryden Bt. of Canon's Ashby, co. Northants, was app. an Assessment Commr. for co. Worc. 1656, and sat for Droitwich Jan. to April 1659. His yst. brother was killed in the Civil war.

1660. April 9. Samuel Sandys sen.Hon. Thomas Coventry.

As to Samuel Sandys sen. see the County 1661.

Hon. Thomas Coventry of Snitterfield, co. Warwick, younger son of Thomas 2nd Lord Coventry (see Co. 1628), b. 1629, m. (1) before 1670 Winifred (who d. 11 June 1694) dau. of Pierce Edgcumbe of Mount Edgcumbe, Devon, (2) 16 July 1695 (license dated 13 May), "Mrs. Elizabeth Graham of Croome Dabitot, spinster, about 25," dau. of Richard Grimes of St. Giles, Cripplegate, was M.P. Droitwich April to Dec. 1660, Camelford 1661-79,

Warwick Feb. to March 1681, and 1685-7, J.P. co. Worc. 10 July 1660, succ. his nephew John as 5th Lord Coventry 25 July 1687, was created Earl of Coventry 26 April 1697, Lord Lieut. co. Worc., Custos Rotulorum 22 June 1689, High Steward of Worcester, and of Evesham 1687, and d. 15 July 1699.

1661. April 18. Hon. Henry Coventry. Samuel Sandys jun.

Hon. Henry Coventry, of Enfield, 4th son of Lord Keeper Coventry (see 1620), b. 1618, matric. Queen's Coll. Oxon. 20 April 1632, aged 14, Fellow of All Souls Coll., B.A. 16 Dec. 1633, created M.A. 31 Aug. 1636, B.C.L. 26 June 1638, of the Inner Temple 1633. He was in exile with Charles II., who app. him a Groom of the Bedchamber 1661, was M.P. Droitwich 1661-81, P.C. 3 July 1672, re-sworn 21 April 1679, Envoy to Sweden July 1664-6, and again 1671-2, Ambassador to the Congress at Breda April 1667, Chancellor of Llandaff, one of the two Principal Secretaries of State 18 July 1672-80 Feb., a member of the Board of Trade 20 Oct. 1668, a Lord of the Admiralty 9 July 1673-7 Sept., one of the Commrs. to manage the estates of James Duke of Monmouth in Scotland and elsewhere during his minority 18 Jan. 1665, and d. in London unm. 7 Dec. 1686, bur. in the Church of St. Martin in the Fields. By his will he left his estate at Hampton Lovett to erect and endow a Hospital at Droitwich for 24 poor people.

Samuel Sandys jun. of Ombersley, eldest son of Col. Samuel S. (see Co. 1661), b 1638, m. Elizabeth only dau. of Sir John Pettus Knt. of Cheston Hall, Suffolk, sat for Droitwich 1661-81, 1685-7, 1689-90, and d. 4 Aug. 1701, aged 63, bur. in Ombersley Church.

1679. Feb. 24. The same, re-elected 5 Sept. 1679.

1681. Feb. 21. Rt. Hon. Henry Coventry. Samuel Sandys sen. (See Co. 1661).

1685. March 23. Hon. Thomas Windsor. T. Samuel Sandys jun. (See 1661). W.

Hon. Thomas Windsor, 2nd son of Thomas 1st Earl of Plymouth, was b. 1668, was a Page of Honour to James II. (salary £178 a year) 1685-7, app. Cornet of his father's Independent Troop of Horse 18 June 1685, (which was raised in co. Worcester, but incorporated into his father's regt. of Horse after the Battle of Sedgemoor in that year), Capt. of his father's regt. of Horse 15 Oct. 1687, Lieut.-Col. of the same 29 May 1690, and Colonel thereof 18 May 1712, Capt. of Sir John Fenwick's regt. of Horse Nov.

1687. He distinguished himself in the Irish and Flemish wars of William JII., who after his return from Ireland made him a Groom of the Bedchamber, which post he held till the King's death in 1702, and a Col. of Foot Feb. 1693, and created him Viscount Windsor in the Peerage of Ireland 19 June 1699. His lordship who was adm. an Hon. Freeman of Worcester 1685, was made Brigadier-General 9 March 1702, Major-Gen. 1 Feb. 1705, and Lieut.-Gen. 1 Jan. 1709, served in the 1st Horse, and was Col. 3rd Dragoon Guards 18 May 1712-38. He m. 1704 Charlotte widow of John 2nd Lord Jeffreys of Wem (son of the notorious Chancellor), and dau. and heir of Philip Earl of Pembroke (who d. 1683 leaving her heir to his Monmouthshire and Glamorgan estates). He unsucc. cont. Evesham March and July 1698, and sat for Droitwich (being chosen at the age of 17) 1685-7, and (as Viscount Windsor) for Bramber (Sussex) 1705-8, for which he was also elected 1708 (but uns. on petition Jan. 1709), and 1710, but being likewise chosen for co. Monmouth 1708 and 1710 he preferred to sit for Monmouthshire 1708 till 31 Dec. 1711 when he was created a Peer of Great Britain as Lord Mountjoy, being one of the 12 Peers created at that date, of whom a witty opponent asked if they voted by their foreman. Lord Windsor d. 8 June 1738, and on the death of his son in 1758 the titles became extinct.

1689. Jan. 14. Samuel Sandys (see 1661). W. Richard Lord Coote of Coloony. W.

Only son of Richard 1st Lord Coote of Ireland, whom he succ. 10 July 1683, m. Catherine dau. and heir of Bridges Nanfan of Bridgemorton (see Co. 1681), was attainted by King James' Parliament in Ireland in 1689, created Earl of Bellomont of Ireland 2 Nov. 1689, M.P. Droitwich 1689-95, Treasurer and Receiver-General of the Household to Queen Mary March 1689 to March 1693, Govr. of co. Leitrim, and was Governor of New York with a special commission to put down piracy and unlawful trading 1695 till his death at New York 5 March 1700, when he was honoured with a public funeral there. He has been described as, "An Irish Peer with a kind heart."

1690. March 6. Earl of Bellomont. W. — Philip Foley. W. 22. Sir John Packington. T. 8.

Sir John Packington Bt. (see Co. 1690), petitioned against Philip Foley (see Bewdley 1679) on 1 April, and the House resolved 11 Nov. 1690 "that the right of election is in the Burgesses of the corporation of the Salt Springs of Droitwich, and that Mr. Foley is duly elected."

1695. Nov. 9. Edward Harley. T. Charles Cocks. W.

Edward Harley, of Eyewood, co. Hereford, 2nd son of Sir Edward H. (see Williams' Herefordshire Members), and younger brother to the celebrated Tory statesman, Robert Harley, Earl of Oxford, Lord High Treasurer 1711-14 (see Williams' Parl. Hist. of Wales), was b. at Brampton Bryan 7 June 1664, educ. at Westminster School, adm. a student of the Middle Temple 18 March 1681, where he was called to the bar 25 May 1688, was invited to the Bench of Lincoln's Inn 15 Nov. 1710, and first sat as a Bencher there 6 July 1720. He m. Sarah 3rd dau. of Thomas Foley of Witley (see Co. 1679), and sister to the Countess of Oxford, was Recorder of Leominster 1692-1732 when he res., M.P. Droitwich 1695-8, Leominster 1698 to Dec. 1700, defeated Jan. but won the seat on petition April 1701, and retained it till 1722 when he again was defeated and petitioned. He succ. Mr. Done in the lucrative office of one of the two Auditors of the Imprest in Jan. 1703. and on 11 March the patent for his appointment thereto passed the Great Seal, and this office he held till his death in London 30 Aug. 1735, aged 71. Auditor Harley who was bur, at his own request in Titley Churchyard, co. Hereford, was a pious charitable man. He gave £40 towards re-building Leominster Parish Church 1700, and besides augmenting several small livings in cos. Monmouth and Hereford, he maintained charity schools in both, and endowed one for ever at Brampton Bryan. In 1725 he was chosen Chairman of the trustees for the Charity Schools in London.

Charles Cocks, of Powick, Worcester, 5th and yst. son of Thomas C., of Castleditch, (now Eastnor Castle), was called to the bar ex gratia at Middle Temple 9 May 1673, m. Mary eldest dau. of John Somers, of Clifton-upon-Severn, and sister and co-heir to John Lord Somers, the Lord Chancellor, (see Worcester 1689). He unsucc. cont. Worcester Dec. 1693, but won the seat on petition Feb. 1694, and sat till 1695, and rep. Droitwich 1695-1708. Through his brother-in-law's influence he was app. Clerk of the Patents April 1699. His yst. dau. Margaret m. Philip Yorke, Earl of Hardwicke, Lord Chancellor 1737-56. His grandson was created Lord Somers 1784.

1698. July 27. Charles Cocks. 'W. Thomas Foley jun. T.

Of Witley, eldest son of Thomas Foley (see Co. 1679), was bapt. at Kidderminster 12 Nov. 1673, and travelled for years beyond the seas. He m. Mary only dau. and heir of Thomas Strode, Sergeant-at-law, was chosen M.P. for Stafford and Droitwich 1698, but preferred Stafford, which he rep. Nov. 1694 till he was created Lord Foley 31 Dec. 1711. His Lordship was adm. an Hon. Freeman of Worcester 1721, presented to Witley 28 Feb. 1701, 22 Jan. 1719, 13 March 1720, Kidderminster 9 Aug. 1701, 6 Aug. 1729, Sheldesley Walsh 23 Sept. 1718, Great

Sheldersley 17 Oct. 1720, Pedmore 13 June 1721, and to Old Swinford 12 May 1722, and d. 22 Jan. 1733, bur. at Witley. (M.I.)

1699. Jan. 14. Thomas Foley sen. of Witley, T. (see Co. 1679), vice his son T. Foley jun. who elected to serve for Stafford.

1701. Jan. 13. Thomas Foley sen. Charles Cocks.

1701. Feb. 25. Philip Foley. T. — Robert Steyner. —

Philip Foley (see Bewdley 1679), was returned vice his brother Thomas Foley sen. deceased. Robert Stayner or Steynor who pet. against Philip Foley's return 8 March 1701, was son of Robert S. of Droitwich, and matric. Pemb. Coll. Oxon. 13 Oct. 1688, aged 18.

1701. Nov. 24. Charles Cocks. W. Edward Foley. T.

Second son of Thomas Foley (see Co. 1679), and brother to 1st Lord Foley (see 1698), bapt. at Kidderminster 23 Sept. 1676, (? called to the bar at Lincoln's Inn), M.P. Droitwich 1701 till app. Receiver of the duties on Hides and Skins June 1711, and again 1732-41, voted against Walpole on the matters of the Excise Bill 1733, Septennial Act 1734, and the Convention 1739, and d. "of a mortification in his foot" 4 April 1747.

1702. July 21. The same, re-elected 12 May 1705.

1708. May 13. Edward Foley. T. Edward Winnington. T.

Third son of Sir Francis Winnington Knt. (see Worcester 1679), and brother to Salway W. (see Bewdley 1694), became a student of the Middle Temple 14 June 1687, where he was called to the bar 18 May 1694, and having m. Jane dau. of Wm. Bloome, of Altofts, Normanton, Yorks, and niece and adopted heiress of Henry Jeffreys, of Ham or Homme Castle, (who left her all his estates conditionally on this marriage), he assumed the surname of Jeffreys about 1709, in compliance with Henry Jeffreys's will, and acquired the Home Castle estate. Mr. (Winnington) Jeffreys was made K.C. 1711 and again 1714, adm. an Hon. Freeman of Worcester 1719, and sat for Droitwich 1708-25. He was Puisne Justice of the Great Sessions for cos. Carmarthen, Cardigan, and Pembroke July 1711-14, and Puisne Justice of Chester April 1714 till his death s.p. 20 July 1725.

1710. Oct. 12. Edward Foley. Edward (Winnington) Jeffreys. 1711. July 18. Richard Foley, vice Jeffreys app. a Welsh Judge, but who was re-elected the same day.

1711. July 18. Edward Jeffreys, vice Edward Foley app. to an office of profit by the crown.

Richard Foley was 3rd son of Thomas F. (see Co. 1679), and brother to the M.P.s 1698 and 1701. He was b. at Kidderminster 19 Feb. 1681, called to the bar at Lincoln's Inn 18 May 1702, chosen an Associate to the Bench 28 June 1704, and being called to the Bench of that Society 28 Oct. 1726, first sat as a Bencher 8 Nov. following. He was adm. an Hon. Freeman of Worcester 1719, M.P. Droitwich 1711-32, and was Second Prothonotary of the Common Pleas (probably from 1712, vice Thomas Foley), till his death unm. 27 March 1732, when he left the chief part of his estate to his brother Edward (see 1701), and £100 per annum to the celebrated orator William Shippen M.P., "for his services done his country."

- 1713. Sept. 2. Richard Foley. T. Edward Jeffreys. T.
- 1714. May 4. Edward Jeffreys, re-elected on taking office.
- 1715. Jan. 28. Edward Jeffreys. Richard Foley.
- 1722. March 24. The same.

1726. Jan. 31. Thomas Winnington of Stanford Court, vice his uncle E. W. Jeffreys dec. This distinguished politician, of whom George II. entertained a high opinion, was the only son of Salway W. (see Bewdley 1694), b. 31 Dec. 1696, educ. at Westminster School, matric. Ch. Ch. Oxon. 25 April 1713, aged 16, ent. Middle Temple 1714, and m. 6 Aug. 1719 Love (who d. s.p. June 1745), 3rd dau. of Sir James Reade 2nd Bart. of Brocket Hall, Herts. She brought her husband the Brocket Hall estate, which was subsequently sold to Sir Matthew Lamb Bart. K.C., father of 1st Viscount Melbourne. Mr. Winnington was adm. an Hon. Freeman of Worcester 1721, presented to the livings of Sapey and Wolfrelow, co. Hereford, 1736, and to Clifton, co. Worc. 22 Dec. 1741, was M.P. Droitwich 1726-41, and chosen for Droitwich and Worcester 1741, but preferred to sit for the latter till his death 1746. He supported Walpole's measures, and was Government Teller for the Convention 1739, a Lord of the Admiralty (£1,200 a year) May 1730-6, and of the Treasury (£1,600 a year) May 1736-41 April, sworn of the Privy Council 27 April 1741, Cofferer of the Household April 1741-3, and Paymaster General of the Land Forces Dec. 1743 till his death 23 April 1746, bur. in Stanford Church. His portrait is in the Guildhall, Worcester.

- 1727. Aug. 21. Richard Foley. T. Thomas Winnington. W.
- 1730. May 25. Thomas Winnington, re-el. on taking office.
- 1732. April 15. Edward Foley (see 1701), vice his brother Richard Foley dec.
 - 1734. April 29. Edward Foley. T. Thomas Winnington. W.
 - 1736. May 28. Thomas Winnington, re-el. on taking office.
 - 1741. May 11. Rt. Hon. T. Winnington. W. Thomas Foley jun. T.

Thomas Foley jun., of Stoke Edith Court, co. Hereford, only son (by his 1st wife) of Thomas Foley M.P., who d. 3 April 1749, (see Williams' Herefordshire Members), was b. 10 Aug. 1716, adm. an Hon. Freeman of Worcester 1736, and m. 28 March 1740 Hon. Grace Granville 3rd dau. and co-heir of George Lord Lansdowne, "with £6000." He and his son Thomas were selected by the Miners' Jury to receive the "Freedom of the Mine" of the Forest of Dean at their Court in 1754. On the death of his kinsman Thomas 2nd Lord Foley 8 Jan. 1766 (when that title expired), Mr. Foley came into possession of his great landed and personal estates. He sat for Droitwich 1741 to Dec. 1747 when uns. and again 1754-68, was chosen both for Droitwich and co. Hereford 1768, but preferred to represent the latter, till created Lord Foley 10 May 1776. He presented to the Worcestershire livings of Old Swinford 17 Aug. 1769, March 1777, Great Sheldersley 5 April 1775, and Kidderminster 22 July 1776, and to the Herefordshire livings of Dormington 1776, and Mordiford 1777, and was High Steward of Kidderminster 1766 till his death 18 Nov. 1777.

1742. Jan. 4. Lord George Bentinck (W.) vice Winnington who elected to serve for Worcester. Younger son of Henry 1st Duke of Portland, who died when Gov. of Jamaica 1726, and brother to Wm. 2nd Duke of Portland K.G., who m. Lady Margaret Cavendish Harley only dau. and heir of Edward 2nd Earl of Oxford, (see Williams' Parl. Hist. of Wales). He was b. 27 Dec. 1715, ent. the army, and was Capt. of Howard's regt. of Foot till made Capt.-Lieut. (with rank of Lt.-Col. in the army) 1st Foot Guards April 1743, Capt. of a company thereof June 1745, A.D.C. to the King (with rank of Col. in the army) March 1752, Col. of Whiteford's Foot Aug. 1754-9, M.P. Droitwich (through the Harley interest) Jan. 1742-7, Grampound 1747-54, and Malmesbury 1754 till his death at Bath unm. 1 March 1759.

1747. July 1. Hon. Samuel Masham. 19.
Thomas Foley jun. T. 19.
Francis Winnington. 19.
Hon. Edwin Sandys. T. 18.

The three first having equal votes were returned, but on petition Mr. Masham's name was erased by Order of the House 9 Dec., while by another Order 16 Dec. 1747 Mr. Foley's name was erased and that of Mr. Sandys inserted instead.

Hon. Samuel Masham, and but only surviving son of Samuel 1st Lord Masham, by Abigail Hill the celebrated favourite of Queen Anne, was b. in Kensington Nov. 1712, educ. at Westminster School, matric. Ch. Ch. Oxon. 16 Dec. 1729, m. (1) 16 Oct. 1736 Harriot (who d. 1 July 1761) only sister of Rt. Hon. Thomas Winnington (see 1726), "with £,20,000," and (2) 4 Feb. 1762 Charlotte (a Maid of Honour to the Dowager Princess of Wales) dau. of John Dives of Westminster, was a Groom of the Bedchamber to Frederick Prince of Wales Sept. 1739 till the Prince's death 20 March 1751, and app. so to George Prince of Wales Oct. 1756 (? only for a short time, or till Oct. 1758), was Auditor General of the Prince's Household in Feb. 1757, Deputy Paymaster General to his brother-in-law Mr. Winnington Jan. to May 1746, and M.P. Droitwich July to Dec. 1747 when uns. He succ. his father as 2nd Lord Masham 16 Oct. 1758, was a Lord of the Bedchamber to the King July 1762-76, F.R.S., Remembrancer of the Court of Exchequer and Chief Registrar of Deeds in Middlesex (vice his father) Oct. 1758 till his death s.p. 14 June 1776, when the title expired. Lord Masham was granted a pension of £1,000 a year by the Crown in Jan. 1761. Swift is said to have hated him from a boy.

Francis Winnington was son of Francis W. of London, (who was brother to the M.P. 1708, and who was called to the bar at the Middle Temple 18 May 1694, and chosen a Bencher 12 Feb. 1720), and matric. Trin. Coll. Oxon. 29 March 1721, aged 17. He was called to the bar at Middle Temple 9 Feb. 1728, and was Solicitor to the Admiralty April 1733 till he res. that post in order to enter Parliament July 1747. He sat for Droitwich 1747-54.

Hon. Edwin Sandys of Ombersley, eldest son of Samuel 1st Lord Sandys (see Worcester 1718), matric. New Coll. Oxon. 21 May 1743, aged 17, fellow, created D.C.L. 8 July 1756, app. Sec. of the Embassy to France July 1749, a Lord of the Admiralty 6 April to 2 July 1757, M.P. Droitwich (defeated July but seated on petition) Dec. 1747-54, Bossiney 1754-61, and Westminster April 1762 till he succ. his father as 2nd Lord Sandys 21 April 1770. He m. 26 Jan. 1769 Anna Maria dau. of James Colebrooke of Southgate, Middlesex, and widow of Wm. Paine King of Fineshade, Northants, (who left her his whole estate, by which she brought a large fortune to Lord Sandys). His Lordship

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1754. April 16. Robert Harley sen. T.
Thomas Foley (see 1741). W.

The former was younger son of Edward Harley of Eyewood, (se 1695), and brother to Edward 3rd Earl of Oxford, (see Williams Herefordshire Members), matric. Ch. Ch. Oxon. 5 March 1723, aged 16 was called to the bar at Lincoln's Inn 2 June 1730, and invited to the Bench of that Society 28 Nov. 1750, Recorder of Leominster (vice hi father res.) 1732-74, Recorder of Tewkesbury 1756 till 176c adm. an Hon. Freeman of Worcester 1743, voted against the Convention 1739, and against Wilkes 1769, sat for Leominster 1734-41 when defeated, and again March 1742-7, and rep. Droitwich 1754 till hi death unm. 14 March 1774. He is probably the Mr. Harley who unsucc. cont. Oxford Univ. Jan. 1750.

- 1761. March 30. Thomas Foley. W. Robert Harley. T.
- 1768. March 21. The same.
- 1768. May 27. Edward Foley (see Co. 1774), vice hi father Thomas Foley who elected to serve for co. Hereford.
- 1774. April 7. Andrew Foley, of Newport, co. Hereford, via Harley dec. Third and yst. son of 1st Lord Foley (see 1741), b. 1748 or 1749, matric. Bras. Coll. Oxon. 11 June 1768, aged 19, created M.A 7 Dec. 1771, m. 7 May 1773 his cousin Elizabeth sole dau. and heir o Boulter Tomlinson, became Honourable 10 May 1776, was a Banker ir London, Recorder of Droitwich in 1807 (probably 1802-18), and M.P Droitwich 1774 till his death at Newport 28 July 1818.
- 1774. May 31. Rowland Berkeley of Cotheridge, vice Edward Foley who accepted the Stewardship of the Manor of East Hendred co. Berks, in order to stand for co. Worcester. Eldest son of Rowland B., by Lucy dau. of Anthony Lechmere of Severn End, and great grandson of Sir Rowland B. (see Worcester 1661), he matric. New Coll. Oxon. 29 Oct. 1750, aged 17, m. Sarah dau. of Carbonnel, was H.S. co. Worc. 1764, M.P. Droitwich May to Sept. 1774, presented to Churchill 19 June 1765, and d.s.p. 1779.
 - 1774. Oct. 15. Thomas Foley jun. W. Andrew Foley. W.

Two Brothers. Thomas Foley jun. of Stoke Edith, co. Hereford, was eldest son of Thomas 1st Lord Foley (see 1741), b. 7 July 1742, matric. Magd. Coll. Oxon. 2 May 1759, m. 20 March 1776 Lady Harriet Stanhope 4th dau. of Wm. 2nd Earl of Harrington, became Honourable 10 May 1776, sat for co. Hereford May 1767-74, and for Droitwich 1774 till he succ. his father as 2nd Lord Foley 18 Nov. 1777. and voted for Wilkes 1769. He presented to the Herefordshire living of Mordiford 1787, and was High Steward of Kidderminster 1778 till his death in London 2 July 1793. "He had been for many months in a very precarious state of health, and went to Lisbon for the recovery of it, whence he returned only a few weeks since. Of this nobleman it may truly be said, that no man ever possessed more affability or greater good humour or benevolence." (Gent. Mag.)

1777. Nov. 27. Edward Winnington of Stanford Court, vice his brother-in-law Hon. Thomas Foley called to the Upper House. Only son of Sir Edward W. (see Bewdley 1761), whom he succ. as 2nd Bart. 9 Dec. 1791, was b. 14 Nov. 1749, matric. Ch. Ch. Oxon. 30 Oct. 1767, m. 9 May 1776 Hon. Anne Foley yst. dau. of Thomas 1st Lord Foley (see 1741), and sat for Droitwich 1777 till his death at Stanford Court 9 Jan. 1805. He advanced £250 towards re-building Bewdley Bridge 1801. "He was a gentleman eminent for his attainments in literature; an ornament to his native county." (Gent. Mag.)

1780. Sept. 15. Hon. Andrew Foley. W. Edward Winnington. W.

1784. April 5. The same, re-elected 19 June 1790, 27 May 1796, 7 July 1802.

1805. Jan. 30. Thomas Foley of Newport, Almeley, co. Hereford, vice his uncle-in-law Sir Edward Winnington Bart. dec. Only son of Hon. Andrew Foley (see 1774), b. 19 July 1778, educ. at Westminster, matric. Ch. Ch. Oxon. 26 Jan. 1796, of Lincoln's Inn 1800, Lt.-Col. Herefordshire Militia 1805, M.P. co. Hereford 1807-18, Droitwich Jan. 1805-7, and July 1819 till his death unm. at Newport 11 Jan. 1822, aged 43.

1806. Nov. 3. Hon. Andrew Foley. W. Thomas Foley. W.

Father and son.

May 7. Hon. Andrew Foley. W. Sir Thomas Edward Winnington. W.

Uncle and nephew. As to Sir Thomas see the County 1820.

1812. Oct. 8. The same.

1816. April 2. William Philip (Molyneux) Earl of Sefton, of Croxteth Hall, Liverpool, vice Winnington who accepted the Stewardship of the Manor of East Hendred, co. Berks. Eldest son of Charles 1st Earl of Sefton, b. 18 Sept. 1772, educ. at Eton, matric. Ch. Ch. Oxon 25 April 1789, aged 16, m. 1 Jan. 1792 Hon. Maria Craven dau. of Wm. 6th Lord Craven, succ. his father as 2nd Earl of Sefton in the Peerage of Ireland 31 Jan. 1795, unsucc. cont. Liverpool 1818, sat for Droitwich April 1816-31, was created Baron Sefton of the United Kingdom 20 June 1831, and d. 20 Nov. 1838.

1818. July 2. Hon. A. Foley. W. Earl of Sefton. W.

1819. Feb. 16. Thomas Foley (see 1805,) vice his father Hon. Andrew Foley dec. There were about 40 voters for Droitwich in 1816, the Bailiffs being the Returning Officers.

1820. March. Earl of Sefton. W. Thomas Foley. W.

1822. Feb. 14. John Hodgetts Hodgetts Foley (see E. Worcestershire 1847,) vice his cousin Thomas Foley dec.

1826. June 13. Earl of Sefton. W. J. H. H. Foley. W.

1830. Aug. 2. The same.

1831. April 30. J. H. H. Foley. W. Sir T. E. Winnington. W.

See County 1820. At the dissolution of this Parliament 3 Dec. 1832, Droitwich was deprived of one of its Members, by the operation of the Reform Act 1832.

1832. Dec. 10. J. H. H. Foley. W.

1835. Jan. 9. John Barneby. T. 128. *J. H. H. Foley. W.* 125.

253 voted out of 281 registered electors. On petition the poll was reduced to, Barneby 125, Foley 124. As to Mr. Barneby see East Worcestershire 1837. The Tory Colour was Scarlet; the Whig Colour, Blue.

1837. July 24. John Somerset Pakington. T.

Of Westwood Park, younger but only surviving son of William Russell, of Powick Court, by Elizabeth eldest dau. of Sir Herbert Perrott Packington 7th Bart. of Westwood, b. at Powick Court 20 Feb. 1799, educ. at Eton, matric. Oriel Coll. Oxon. 13 Feb. 1818, created D.C.L. 7 June 1853, m. (1) 14 Aug. 1822 Mary (who d. 6 Jan. 1843) only dau. of Moreton Aglionby Slaney of Shifnal, Salop, (2) 4 June

1844 Augusta Anne (who d. 23 Feb. 1848) dau. of Rt. Rev. George Murray, Bishop of Rochester 1827-60 (grandson of 3rd Duke of Athole), and (3) 5 June 1851 Augusta Ann dau. of Thomas Champion de Crespigny, and widow of Col. T. H. Davies of Elmley Park, (see Worcester 1818). On succeeding his uncle Sir John Pakington 8th and last Bart. in part of his estates 6 Jan. 1830, Mr. Russell took the name of Pakington, and was created a Baronet 13 July 1846, and G.C.B. 30 June 1859. Having unsucc. cont. East Worcestershire 1832, and the Western division 1833, 1835, he sat for Droitwich 1837 to 1874 when he lost his seat, and was raised to the Peerage as Lord Hampton 6 March 1874. He was sworn a member of the Privy Council 27 Feb. 1852, was a member of the Committee of Council on Education, and held office as Secretary of State for the Colonies Feb. to Dec. 1852, First Lord of the Admiralty Feb. 1858 to June 1859, and June 1866-7, and Secretary of State for War March 1867 to Dec. 1868. He was J.P. and D.L. (1832) co. Worc., Chairman of Quarter Sessions 1834-54, patron of one living, was chosen an Elder Brother of the Trinity House 1859, Major Worcestershire Yeomanry June 1856, Lt.-Col. thereof 1859-66 July, President of the Institute of Naval Architects, and Chief Civil Service Commr. Nov. 1875 till his death 9 April 1880.

1841. July 1. The same, re-elected 30 July 1847, 4 March 1852 (office), 8 July 1852, 27 March 1857, 3 March 1858 (office), 30 April 1859, 12 July 1865, 11 July 1866 (office), 13 March 1867 (office).

1868. Nov. 18. Rt. Hon. Sir J. S. Pakington. C. 790. *John Corbett*. L. 603.

1874. Feb. 3. John Corbett. L. 787. Rt. Hon. Sir J. S. Pakington. C. 401.

John Corbett, of Impney, eldest son of Joseph C., of Salop, was b. 1817, and m. 1856 Anne Eliza dau. of John O'Meara, of Tipperary. He was defeated at Droitwich 1868, but rep. it 1874-85, and sat for the Droitwich division 1885-92, became J.P. co. Worc. 1864, (on roll for High Sheriff 1896), J.P. and D.L. co. Merioneth, and was County Councillor (Droitwich division) co. Worc. March 1889-92. Mr. Corbett who was formerly proprietor of the Stoke Prior Salt Works, and Chairman of the Stoke Prior United School Board June 1880 to May 1892, is Lord of the Manors of Impney, Sagebury, and Obden, an Associate of the Institute of Civil Engineers, a Member of the R. Agricultural, R. Historical, and Statistical Societies, a Commr. of the River Severn Navigation, and patron of the livings of Dodderhill and Elmbridge.

1880. April. John Corbett. L. 857. *G. H. Allsopp. C.* 368. *Ernest Jones. L.* 5.

As to Mr. Allsopp, see Worcester 1885. Ernest Jones also unsucc. cont. Nottingham 1857, 1859, and Manchester 1868. The Borough of Droitwich which had 243 registered electors in 1832, 371 in 1858, 1532 in 1868, 1541 in 1874, and 1407 in 1884, and of which the Mayor was the Returning Officer from 1836, was deprived of the right of separate representation and became merged in the Droitwich division of the County, at the Dissolution 18 Nov. 1885, when the provisions of the Redistribution of Seats Act. 1885 came into effect.



MEMBERS FOR EVESHAM.

1295. William de Sodinton. Robert de Hales.

The former's manucaptors or sureties were Robert de Badsey and William de la Holte, while the latter's were Peter de Croule and Richard de Verrer. William de Sodinton, so called from his estate at Sodington, or Southington, in the parish of Mamble, died s.p., and his lands were divided among his three sisters, as appears from an assize or inquisition post-mortem taken at Southampton 1302. The youngest of these sisters, Joanna, married Sir Walter le Blond of Rock, ancestor of the Blounts of Sodington. On 26 Sept. 1300 Wm. de Sudington and John de Bromfield were app. attorneys for one year for Owen de Monte Gomeri going to the Court of Rome with Hugh le Despencer. (Patent Rolls).

This appears to be the only instance in which Members were returned for Evesham until 1604, although Richard de Trapenhall, Richard de Newbury, and Robert de Fredon were summoned to attend a *Council* at Westminster 1337.

By virtue of a clause inserted in James I.'s first Charter to Evesham, dated 2 March 1604, the right of electing two Members of Parliament was restored to the Borough.

1604. March 16. Sir Thomas Bigge Knt. Sir Philip Kightlie Knt.

Sir Thomas Bigg of Lenchwick, son and heir of Thomas B. who died 25 June 1581, by Magdalen sister to Sir Philip Hoby, was aged 40 at the Visitation in 1582, Knighted 23 July 1603, and m. Ursula 4th dau. of Clement Throckmorton of Haseley, co. Warwick. He erected the mansion at Lenchwick, was H.S. co. Worc. 1593, J.P. in 1601, app. Ald. of Evesham by the Charter 2 March 1604, re-app. 3 April 1605 (under the 2nd charter,) M.P. Evesham 1604-11, and d. 4 May 1613, bur. in Abbot's Norton Church, near Evesham. He built new shambles for the Town, and gave rents as a charity for the poor of Evesham. His ing. p.m. was held in co. Gloucester 6 Oct. 1614.

1605. Oct. 31. Robert Bowyer, vice Kighley dec. Son of William Bowyer, Keeper of the Records in the Tower, and cousin to Sir William Bowyer, of Denham Court, Bucks, (a Teller of the Exchequer in 1604, who d. Aug. 1616). He was granted in reversion 25 June 1604 the office of Door Keeper of the Exchequer, and Keeper of the Council Chamber of the Star Chamber for life. Confirmation 23 Dec. 1604 of the grant made by the Master of the Rolls to Robert Bowyer and Henry Elsyng of the Clerkship and Keeping of the Rolls of Chancery, and all other records and rolls in the Tower, for their lives. He was granted 25 July 1611 a pension of £,100 on surrender of the same sum part of a pension by Lady Burgh (? Bowyer his cousin). He was M.P. for Steyning in 1601, and for Evesham 1605-10, when he became Clerk of the House of Lords. In 1611 he and Francis Crane held the office of Clerk of the Parliaments. "Memorandum 12 March 1621. The Lord Chancellor declared that the Clerk of the Parliament (Mr. Bowyer) was so dangerous sick that he might not come to the House, without peril of his life; and therefore was an humble suitor that he might make Henry Elsyng his Deputy, who hath also a patent of the Clerk's place in reversion; and his Lordship moved to know the pleasure of the house, whether the said Henry Elsyng should be admitted as Deputy Clerk. And the Lords generally agreed thereunto." (Lords Journal). Mr. Bowyer died s.p.m. 1634.

1610. Feb. 26. Edward Salter, vice Bowyer app. Clerk of the Upper House of Parliament. Probably the son of Thomas S., of Oswestry, Salop, (living 1607), and possibly of kin to Sir Nicholas Salter Knt., of London, whose dau. and heir Anne m. Sir Henry Bowyer Knt. (who d.v.p., and was eldest son of Sir Wm. Bowyer, of Denham). Sir Henry's son William was created a Baronet 1660. He was probably the same person as Edward Salter adm. to Gray's Inn 1580, was M.P. for Lostwithiel Feb. 1621-22, and was knighted at Ampthill 21 July 1621.

1614. March. Thomas Bigge.
Anthony Langston.

Thomas Bigg, of Lenchwick, eldest son and heir of the M.P. 1604, was b. 1577, matric. Queen's Coll. Oxon. 8 Nov. 1594, aged 17, ent. Middle Temple 1597, and m. Anne dau. of Wm. Witham of Leadstone, Yorks. He was created a Baronet 26 May 1620, J.P. co. Worc. in 1620, M.P. Evesham March to June 1614, and Dec. 1620 till his death 11 June 1621, when the title expired. His widow re-m. to Sir John Walter, Lord Chief Baron of the Exchequer 1625-30. Sir Thomas sold the Lenchwick and Norton estates to the 1st Lord Craven, and from the Cravens they passed by purchase to Sir Edward Seymour of Maiden Bradley, Wiits. (see 1774). His epitaph in Norton Church reads, "Heere resteth the body of Sir Thomas Bigg, knight baronet, who was both faithfull to his prince and lovinge to his country. He married Anne dau. to Wm. Wytham of Leadstone, co. Yorks., and shee in love and memory of her husband erected thys monument. He departed this life the 11th day of June 1621, aged 45."

Anthony Langston, of Sedgeborough, Littleton, son of Henry L., was M.P. Evesham March to June 1614, 1620-2, 1625, Feb. to June 1626, app. (with John Izod) by Lord Cecil to be Steward of King's Norton pro. tem. 21 Feb. 1604, and elected an Honorary Freeman of Worcester 1643. He was one of the royalists taken prisoner at Worcester on its surrender 19 July 1646, and on 21 Dec. 1646 he begged to compound on Oxford articles for delinquency, and for leave to attend and perfect his composition. His son Anthony was Captain of the "Princess" in 1669.

1620. Dec. 15. Sir Thomas Biggs Bart. Anthony Langston.

They voluntarily waved their claims for fees or wages for serving in Parliament, which was considered a great boon to the Town.

Sir Edward Conway Knt., of Ragley, co. 1621. Nov. 12. Warwick, vice Biggs dec. Son and heir of Sir John Conway, Gov. of Ostend, who d. 4 Oct. 1603, m. (1) about 1593, Dorothy (who was buried 5 March 1612) widow of Edward Bray, and dau. of Sir John Tracey of Toddington, co. Glouc., and (2) before 30 Dec. 1619 Katherine widow of Richard Fust, and dau, of Giles Huerlblock or Hambler of Ghent. He was Col. of a regt. of foot at the taking of Cadiz in Spain, and was Knighted there by the Earl of Essex 27 June 1596, was Lieut. Gov. of the Brill in Holland 1599-1609, and sometime in command of the English Forces in the Netherlands, M.P. Penryn Feb. 1610-11, Feb. to June 1614, and Evesham Nov. 1621-2 (being elected in pursuance of a pledge given him when he was chosen Ald. of Evesham July 1621), and 1624-5. He was app. to review the Island of Jersey for redress of abuses in religion &c. March 1617, an Ambassador to Germany (Prague and Vienna) July 1620 to March 1621, admitted by the King's special command to the Privy Council 28 June 1622, one

of the two Principal Secretaries of State Jan. 1623, re-app. so with an annual salary of £100 on 18 May 1625, was granted a pension of £2000 a year for 21 years 20 May 1625, created Lord Conway 24 March 1624, Viscount Killultagh 15 March 1627, and Viscount Conway 26 June 1627, Gov. and Capt. of the Isle of Wight Dec. 1624-30, Lord Lieut. and Vice Admiral of co. Hants. 7 May 1625, received a grant in perpetuity of Conway Castle, co. Carnarvon, 24 March 1627, was one of the Council of War in 1624 and 1627, re-app. so 23 Feb. 1629, Lord President of the Council 14 Dec. 1628, died 3 Jan., and was buried at Arrow, co. Warwick, 12 Feb. 1631, will dated 28 July 1629, proved 12 Nov. 1631. Secretary Conway wrote to John Lord Mordaunt 3 July 1626, commanding him to accept no challenge from Sir Edward Stradling, (see Williams' Parl. Hist. of Wales).

1624. Feb. 4. Sir Edward Conwaye Knt. Richard Cresheld.

Son of Edward Cresheld, of Mattishall Burghs, Norfolk, and was adm. to Lincolns Inn 18 June 1608, called to the bar 17 Oct. 1615, elected a Bencher 14 and sat as such 23 May 1633, made Lent Reader 1636, and Sergeant-at-law 1637. He was Recorder of Evesham in 1625, M.P. 1624-5, 1625, 1628-9, 1640-8, app. a Commr. to compensate the river proprietors for damage done through improving the navigation of the Avon 9 March 1637, was proposed as a Judge by Parliament Feb. 1643, but was not app. by the King, but was made a Justice of the Common Bench by the Parliament 12 Oct. 1648. He however refused to be re-sworn after the murder of the King Jan. 1649, and d in Serjeants Inn and was buried in St. Andrew's, Holborn, in 1652. He made the Protestation 12 June 1643 (Commons Journal). Serjeant Cresheld bequeathed money to the poor of Evesham, but the charity has long been lost.

1625. April 27. Richard Cresheld. Anthony Langston.

1626. Feb. 1. Sir John Hare Knt. Anthony Langston.

Sir John Hare of Stow Bardolph, Norfolk, only son of Sir Ralph Hare, K.B., M.P., who d. Aug. 1623, was Knighted at Newmarket 4 Dec. 1617 or 1 Dec. 1618, m. Hon. Elizabeth Coventry only dau. of Thomas 1st Lord Coventry (see Droitwich 1620,) and sat for Aylesbury 1625, Evesham Feb. to June 1626, King's Lynn, 1628-9. It is impossible to decide whether it was he or his uncle John Hare of the Middle Temple, (M.P. Horsham 1572-97,) who sat for West Looe Oct. to Dec. 1601, and for Morpeth 1604-11. His eldest son Ralph was made a Baronet 1641, but the title expired with the 5th Bart. 1764.

1628. Feb. 27. Sir Robert Harely Knt. Richard Cresheld.

Sir Robert Harley was the surviving son and heir of Thomas Harley of Brampton Castle, who d. 1631. He was b. at Wigmore Castle Feb. 1579, matric. Oriel Coll. Oxon 9 April 1597, aged 17, B.A. 12 July 1509, ent. Middle Temple in 1509, m. (1) Anne dau. of Charles Barret of Belhouse, Essex, (2) Mary (who was bur. 5 Aug. 1622.) dau. of Sir Francis Newport of High Ercall, Salop, and (3) 22 July 1623 Brilliana 2nd dau, of Edward Viscount Conway (see 1621). He was made K.B. 25 July 1603, Master of the Mint 1626-35 and 1643-9, had license of entry on lands in co. Hereford 10 Feb. 1634, was M.P. Radnor 1604-11, Evesham 1628-9, co. Hereford 1624, 1626, March to May 1640, and Oct. 1640 till secluded by Col. Pride and imprisoned Dec. 1648, Dep. Steward of Hereford during the Commonwealth, app. 1604 Forester of Bringewood Forest, co. Radnor, (salary £6 2s. 8d. per annum, with other fees £1 10s. 5d. a year,) and Forester of Prestwood with a salary of 18s. a year, obtained a grant for a weekly market and an annual fair at Wigmore, app. one of the Council of the Marches of Wales 23 June 1623, granted 12 Sept. 1626 the office of Master and Worker of the Mint ("of monies to be coined in the Tower of London,") during his life, with a salary of £4000 a year, and held it till 1635, and again from 1643, but after the murder of the King, refusing to coin with any other than the die of the deceased monarch, he was removed by Parliament 16 May, 1649. The House of Commons entrusted him in 1640 with the execution of its orders for demolishing all images, altars, and crucifixes, and he rigorously removed all crosses even out of streets and markets, and would not anywhere allow one piece of stone to lie over another at right angles. Sir Robert Harley who resided some years at Stanage, co. Radnor, was J.P. and D.L. co. Heref., and was very active in the proceedings against Strafford. He lent plate and moneys to Parliament to carry on the war, was Chairman of the Radnorshire Sequestration Committee, app. a Seq. Commr. for county and city of Hereford 1 April 1643, served on the Committees for Scandalous Ministers, for Superstitious Monuments, for the London Militia, and on most of the important committees of the House during 1641-8, and d. from gout at Brampton Bryan 6 Nov. 1656.

After the dissolution of this Parliament 10 March 1629, no fresh one was called until

1640. April 4. William Sandys. William Morton.

Capt. William Sandys of Askham, Notts, and Fladbury, 4th and yst. son of Sir Samuel S. of Ombersley (see Co. 1609), matric. Broadgates Hall, Oxon., 13 June 1623, aged 14. He was J.P. and Ald. of Evesham, M.P. April to May 1640, Oct. 1640 till expelled as a monopolist Jan. 1641, and again 1661 till his death s.p. shortly before 29 Oct. 1669. Being an active energetic man he obtained a grant from the King by virtue of which he commenced in March 1635 the attempt

of making the River Avon navigable but after spending £20,000 upon it, and encountering the powerful personal opposition of Sir Wm. Russell, the High Sheriff (see Co. 1635), who did his best to hinder him in every way, Mr. Sandys relinquished the idea. He obtained from the King a patent for a toll of 12d. upon the cauldron more than the old tax, on goods carried on the Avon, and it was for this monopoly that he was expelled the House in 1641. He had a liberty of Bailiwick in the Hundreds of Oswaldslow and Pershore in 1636, and was made J.P. co. Worc. 10 July 1660. He was a Royalist.

William Morton or Moreton of Winchcombe, co. Gloucester, son of James M. of Clifton-on-Severn, b. 1605, matric. Trin. Coll. Oxon. 26 Oct. 1521, aged 15, B.A. from Sydney Sussex Coll. Camb. 1622, M.A. 1625, and was called to the bar at the Inner Temple 28 Nov. 1630, and chosen a Bencher thereof 24 Nov. 1659. He m. Anne dau. and sole heir of John Smyth of Kidlington co. Oxford. He took up arms for the King during the Civil War, and received the rank of Lieut. Col., was Knighted at Oxford 8 Sept. 1643, and Governor of Sudeley Castle, co. Glouc. in 1644, but was afterwards taken prisoner there on 17 Aug. 1644, and ordered to be committed to the Tower, and on 1 Oct. 1647 the House of Commons ordered "that Sir Wm. Moreton, now a prisoner in the Tower, be removed to the prison of Peter House." He was made a Sergeant-at-Law 6 July 1660, King's Sergeant 1 July 1663, app. for life Recorder of Gloucester (fee £6 13s. 4d. a year) by the new Charter 18 April 1662, Chief Justice of the Great Sessions for cos. Carmarthen, Cardigan, and Pembroke (salary £50 a year) Aug. 1660-5, M.P. Evesham April to May 1640, Haverfordwest 1661 till election declared void May 1663, and again June 1663 till made a Justice of the King's Bench 23 Nov. 1665, and was buried in the Temple Church, "under his monument," 1 Oct. 1672, aged 68. Quaere whether the grant made 30 May 1632 to John Morton in reversion after the death of John Melton of the office of Secretary and Keeper of the Signet to the Council in the North, applies to his brother.

1640. Oct. 16. Richard Cresheld.William Sandys.Hon. John Coventry.

This was a Double Return. A petition was presented to the House concerning the business of this election, which was referred to the Committee of Privileges 9 Nov. 1640. In the end Mr. Coventry's election was disallowed, but he appears to have informed the House of the patent for tolls which Mr. Sandys enjoyed, with the result that the latter was expelled.

1641. Feb. 2. Hon. John Coventry, vice Sandys expelled the House as a monopolist. Eldest son by his 2nd wife of Lord Keeper Coventry, (see Droitwich 1620,) and brother to the M.P. for Droitwich

1661, he m. Elizabeth dau. and co-heir of John Coles of Barton, Somerset, and widow of Herbert Dodington. He was disabled to sit 12 Aug. 1642 for joining in the Commission of Array. His son Sir John Coventry K.B. of Pitminster, Somerset, was M.P. for Weymouth and Melcombe Regis Jan. 1667-81, and was the Member so cruelly assaulted by a party of courtiers 21 Dec. 1670, for his speech in the House, which affair occasioned so much outcry that the Parliament immediately passed the "Coventry Act," with a clause expressly depriving the King of the power of pardoning the offenders.

1645. Oct. Samuel Gardner of Evesham vice Coventry disabled to sit. He was son or kinsman of Philip Gardner, who was Mayor of Evesham 1618, and was himself Mayor 1625, 1633, 1642, 1653, and M.P. Oct. 1645 till he was secluded Dec. 1648. He appears to have been a wealthy man, for on 16 Jan. 1643 he lent £ 1000 without interest to Lord Brooke the Parliamentary commander, (slain in storming Lichfield,) and had considerable trouble in getting it back from the Parliament, if he ever did so, as appears by several references to the matter in the Commons Journal. "21 April 1643, ordered that Sir Rob. Harley (see 1628) do bring in an ordinance to-morrow morning for securing upon the Public Faith the thousand pounds borrowed of Sam. Gardner, Mayor of Evesham, by the late Lord Brooke, and employed for the service of the kingdom, as appears by a receipt under the hand of the said Lord Brooke." On 26 April 1643 for this service, and also for "that he in his own person, with a Troop of Horse, raised, furnished, and maintained at his own charge, and brought in upon the propositions \mathcal{L}_{100} in money, and 10 horses, and £250 towards reducing of Ireland, the House of Commons do hereby declare that the said Sam. Gardner had done good and acceptable service to the Commonwealth." The petition of Capt. Sam. Gardner for repayment was ordered to be read and to be referred, 6 June 1646. On 23 June 1646, "Warrant from the House of Commons to the Treasurer of the Committee at Goldsmith's Hall to pay S.G. £,1000; on order of the House 6 June on his petition; all former orders for payment revoked." This however did not restore his money to him, for on 15 March 1647 the House ordered, "that his arrears of pay £715 be paid, and that his principal and interest amounting to £1440 7s. 7d. with interest be paid." Another Warrant issued 21 May 1648 for his arrears of pay £715. He seems to have been lord of the manor of Bewdley, as the manorial Courts were held in his name, 1670-3, but in 1674 he sold his title to the manor for £2765 to Sir Francis Winnington, (see Worcester 1679).

1653. July. No Members were appointed by Cromwell.

1654. July. No members summoned from Evesham.

1659. Jan. Theophilus Andrews. Robert Atkins. Theophilus Andrews, of Offingham, co. Worc. (perhaps son of Richard Andrews, Mayor of Evesham 1624), was sometime of Barnard's Inn, adm. to Grays Inn 7 Nov. 1644, called to the bar 11 Feb. 1651, Ancient 18 May 1667, app. an Assessment Commr. for co. Worc. 1656, M.P. Evesham Jan. to April 1659, and also (by double return) April until unseated 12 July 1660. He was an Alderman of Evesham in 1659, Recorder of that town (? 1661-70), made J.P. co. Worc. 10 July 1660, and d. 1670, aged 47.

Robert Atkins, eldest son of Sir Edward Atkins, Baron of the Exchequer, was b. 1621, matric. Sidney Sussex Coll. Camb., ent. Lincolns Inn 1638, called to the bar 1645, chosen an Associate of the Bench 18 Nov. 1650, and being called to be a Bencher 5 Jan. sat as such 4 Feb. 1663, elected Autumn Reader 1664, and was Treasurer of that Society 6 Feb. to 28 Nov. 1664. He m. Mary dau. of Sir George Clerk, of Watford, Northants., was made K.B. 23 April 1661, Recorder of Evesham in 1659, app. Recorder of Bristol 1661, Solicitor General to the Queen May 1662-72, M.P. co. Carmarthen Nov. 1656-8, Evesham Jan. to May 1650, East Looe 1661-72, Middlesex Dec. 1680 to Jan. He was a Commr. for discharging, settling, and recovering the arrears of Excise due to the King 8 Feb. to 29 Nov. 1661, a Justice of the Common Pleas April 1672 to May 1679, when he was removed, and Master of St. Katherine's Hospital Aug. to Nov. 1681. Sir Robert was a great promoter of the Revolution in 1688, and was Lord Chief Baron of the Exchequer April 1689 till he retired from the Bench June 1695, and Speaker of the House of Lords Oct. 1689 to March 1693. He died 18 Feb. 1710, aged 88.

> 1660. April 4. John Egioke. Sir Thomas Rous Bt. Theophilus Andrews.

A Double Return of all three candidates, but upon petition the Committee reported to the House 12 July 1660 that the two former were duly elected. As to Sir T. Rous see the County 1654.

John Egiock, of Feckenham, was the eldest son of Sir Francis Egiock Knt., of Shernock Court, one of the Tellers of the Exchequer in 1611, who d. 22 Nov. 1622, a member of an ancient family at Interborough or Inkberrow. He was of Lincolns Inn 1635, added to the Parliamentary Committee of co. Worc. by order of the House of Commons 20 Feb. 1645, app. an Assessment Commr. 1656, and J.P. for co. Worc. 10 July 1660. He signed the Indenture of Return of the two Members, as a witness, 11 April 1661. His sister and heir Mary (who d. 1668, aged 59), married William eldest son of Sir Wm. Lygon. On 8 May 1655 John Egiock, of Shernock (with Sir John Pettus, of Cheston, Suffolk), begged the Committee for Compounding "to order the repair of the mansion-house &c. of Henlip (Hindlip) Manor, of which Mary Habington is seized for life with remainder to petitioners,"

1661. April 11. William Sandys (see 1640). Abraham Cullin.

Abraham Cullin of London, and East Sheen, Surrey, was son of Abraham C. (whose father Richard C. came into England on the persecution of the Protestants in the Low Countries by the Duke of Alva, and was descended from Arnould Van Ceulen of Breda, in the Duchy of Brabant, living in 1300.) He m. Abigail yst. dau. of John Rushout of London, merchant, and sister to the M.P. 1670, was made a Baronet 17 June, 1661, and sat for Evesham 1661 till his death in 1669.

1669. Oct. 29. Sir John Hanmer Knt. of Hanmer, co. Flint, vice Sir A. Cullen, Bt., dec. On the petition of Sir James Rushout 3 Nov. 1669, the Return was examined, and the Committee of Privileges and Elections reported 22 Nov. that Sir James was the duly elected Member, and not Sir John Hanmer. To this the House disagreed, and the same day resolved, "that the right of election was in the common burgesses of Evesham, and that the election was void, and that Edward Field the Mayor be taken into the custody of the Sergeant-at-Arms for his misdemeanour in making the return for the Borough of Evesham, and denying the poll, and be reprimanded by the Speaker."

1669. Dec. 7. Sir John Hanmer, vice Cullen dec., the former election having been declared void. Elder son of Sir Thomas Hanmer (see Williams' Parl. Hist. of Wales), whom he succ. as 3rd Bart. 1678, and m. Mary dau. and heir of Joseph Alston of Netherhall, Suffolk. He took an active part in the measures for restoring Charles II. in 1660, subscribing £600 towards that loyal object, and got together a body of 60 Horse when the King was expected. He was nom. a Knight of the Royal Oak for Flintshire 1660, (his estate being put down at £3000 a year), received the honour of Knighthood 9 Aug. 1660, sat for Flint Jan. to April 1659, Evesham 1669-79, Flintshire 7 to 28 March 1681, Flint 1685-7, and 1689-90, app. a Commr. of the Navy (£500 a year) 8 Nov. 1672 and seemingly held that post till 17 April 1686. He was app. Keeper of the Game in the Crown Lordships of North Wales by Charles II., and held that post in 1681, and was Col. of the troop of Horse Militia in co. Flint which was "called out" July 1666, and still held that command in 1684. In the Seasonable Argument for a New Parliament, 1677, he is described as: "a prodigal Gentleman of the Horse to the Master of the Horse, a Commr. of Excise in Ireland, and a Troop of Horse in Ireland, £2,000 given him in money." Sir John's name appears in the list of J.P.'s for co. Flint in 1680, and as a Commr. of Taxes for that county in 1689. He was Col. of the 11th or N. Devon regt. of foot Dec. 1688-1701, and took his regt. into action at the Battle of the Boyne 1690. He was M.P. for Carlingford in the Irish Parliament 1695-9, and d. s.p. 1701. Burke styles him a Major-General, but this is an error.

1670. Feb. 22. Sir James Rushout Bart. (see Co. 1689), vice Sandys dec.

1679. Feb. 4. Sir James Rushout. Henry Parker.

Of Honnington, co. Warwick, only son of Henry Parker of London, b. 1639, m. Margaret dau. of Rt. Rev. Alexander Hyde, Bishop of Salisbury, was styled Recorder of Evesham in the Returns of 1679 and 1689, app. so "for life" by the new charter granted to Evesham 12 June 1684, but was deprived of the office by the next charter 12 Sept. 1688. He was J.P. Evesham in 1682, M.P. 1679-81, 1685-7, 1689-90, 1695-1700, Aylesbury Nov. 1704-5, succ. his uncle Ald. Sir Hugh P. of London by special remainder as 2nd Bart. 5 March 1697, presented to Tredington 24 Oct. 1701, and d. 25 Oct. 1713, aged 74. He bought the Crown lease of Tredington manor from Mr. Sheldon of Beoly, and had a lawsuit over it with Bishop Stillingfleet of Worcester, which terminated in the House of Lords 10 March 1704. In 1710 Bishop Lloyd granted a lease of the manor to Sir Henry for 3 lives. His grandson was the celebrated Vice-Admiral Sir Hyde Parker 4th Bt., who was lost at sea in 1782.

1679. Aug. 16. The same.1681. Feb. 17. Sir James Rushout.Edward Rudge.

Youngest son of William Rudge, Mayor of Evesham 1661, 1675, was bapt. at All Saints, Evesham, 22 May 1630, m. Susanna 2nd dau. of Sir John Dethick Knt., of London, and having amassed a fortune as a London merchant, purchased the manor and site of the monastery and abbey lands of Evesham in 1664, was M.P. Evesham Feb. to March 1681, 1690-5, and d. Oct. 1696.

1685. March 17. Henry Parker. T. Sir John Mathews Knt. T.

Sir John was a London merchant, who was Knighted 17 April 1677, app. Alderman of Evesham by the new charter 12 June 1684, was Mayor 1685, and M.P. 1685-7, and 1689-90. (Probably son of William Mathews, Mayor of Evesham 1662).

1689. Jan. 9. The same.

1690. Feb. 27. Sir James Rushout. W. Edward Rudge. W.

1695. Nov. 2. Sir James Rushout. — , 1 Henry Parker. — Sir Rushout Cullen Bt. —

SIR Rushout Cullen 3rd Bart. petitioned against Mr. Parker's return 9 Dec. 1695 but did not proceed with it. He was the 2nd son of the M.P. 1661, sat for co. Cambridge Dec. 1697-1710, and d. 1730, when the title expired.

1698. March 11. John Rudge. W. — Col. Windsor. T. —

As to Col. the Hon. Thomas Windsor see Droitwich 1685. John Rudge of Evesham Abbey, eldest son of the M.P. 1681, b. at Tottenham 15 Oct. 1669, m. 1698 Susanna dau. of John Letten, of London, was a merchant in Mark Lane, a Director of the Bank of England 1699, and April 1731-40, Dep. Gov. of the South Sea Co., Mayor of Evesham 1691, M.P. Evesham March 1698 to Nov. 1701, and 1702-34 (? defeated 1734), and d. 22 May 1740. He purchased in 1717 (jointly with John Hopkins), the Lordship of Braybrook, co. Northants, and bought an estate at Farmborough, co. Warwick in 1725.

1698. July 29. Sir Henry Parker Bt. T. —
John Rudge. W. —
Hon. Col. T. Windsor. T. —

1701. Jan. 16. Sir James Rushout Bt. W. —
John Rudge. W. —

Sir James was eldest surviving son of the M.P. 1670, whom he succ as 2nd Bart. Feb. 1698, m. Arabella dau. of Sir Thomas Vernon Knt. of London, sat for Evesham 1701-2, presented to Swell Upper, co. Glouc. 1703, and d. in. 1705.

1701. Nov. 26. Sir James Rushout. W. Hugh Parker. T.

Eldest son of the M.P. 1679, b. 1673, matric. Magd. Coll. Oxon. 10 Jan. 1690, aged 16, ent. Inner Temple 1690, m. Anne eldest dau. and co-heir of Rt. Hon. John Smith M.P., of Tudworth, Hants, (Speaker 1702-8, and Chancellor of the Exchequer 1699-1701 and 1708-10), sat for Evesham 1701-8, and d.v.p. 2 Feb. 1712. His widow re-m. to Michael 10th Earl of Clanricarde.

1702. July 22. Hugh Parker. T. John Rudge. W.

1705. May 15. The same.

1708. May 11. Sir E. Goodere. T. —

John Rudge. W. —

John Deacle. W. —

The defeated candidate John Deacle was a native of Evesham, who by his industry made his fortune as a woollen draper in London. By his will he founded the Free School at Evesham. He d. 20 Sept. 1709.

Sir Edward Goodere Knt. and Bart., of Burghope, co. Hereford, elder son of John G. (see Williams' Herefordshire Members), was b. in India 1657, m. at Bodenham 1679 Eleanor only child and heir of Sir Edward Dinely Knt., of Charlton, co. Worc., and was made a Bart. 5 Dec. 1707. He was app. an Alderman of Evesham by the charter of 12 Sept. 1688, and re-elected so 22 June 1705, was possessed of £3000 a year in lands in cos. Worcester and Hereford, sat for Evesham 1708-15, when defeated, and for co. Hereford 1722-7, and d. at Burghope 20 His elder son and successor Sir John Dinely G. was March 1739. murdered at Bristol 17 Jan. 1741, by order of his own brother Capt. Samuel Goodere R.N. (hitherto a distinguished Naval Officer), who thus became the 3rd Bart, but was executed for his crime 17 April 1741. (See the account of the tragedy in Gent. Mag.) The murderer left two sons, the 4th and 5th Baronets, of whom the elder died a lunatic in March 1761, and the younger son also died unmarried, when the title become extinct.

1710. Oct. 14. The same, re-el. 31 Aug. 1713.

1715. Jan. 26. John Rudge. W. —
John Deacle. W. —
Sir E. Goodere. T. —

John Deacle, of Wingrove, Bucks, (nephew of the defeated candidate 1708), was elected both for Aylesbury and Evesham 1715, but preferred to sit for the latter, till 1722, when he was deseated. He d. 25 or 29 Oct. 1723, (M.I. Bengeworth Church).

1722. March 24. John Rudge. W. —
Sir J. Rushout. W. —
John Deacle. W. —

Sir John Rushout, of Northwick Park, younger son of Sir James R. 1st Bt. (see County 1689), was b. 1684, succ. his nephew Sir James (only son of the M.P. 1701), as 4th Bt. 21 Sept. 1711, and m. 16 Oct. 1729 Lady Anne Compton, 4th dau. of George 4th Earl of Northampton. He was a Whig, but took a prominent part in opposition to Walpole, voted against the Hessian troops 1730, the Excise Bill 1733, and Septennial Act 1734, and acted as Teller against the

Convention 1739, held office as a Lord of the Treasury (£1600 a year) Feb. 1742-3, and as Treasurer of the Navy Dec. 1743 to Dec. 1744, and was added to the Privy Council 19 Jan. 1744. Sir John was adm. an Hon. Freeman of Worcester 1717, elected High Steward of Malmesbury June 1743, and gave £500 towards building the Worcester Infirmary 1744. He sat for Malmesbury April 1713 to Dec 1722, when he was uns. on petition, and being chosen both for Malmesbury and Evesham March 1722, sat for Evesham till 1768, (quaere if he was not then the "Father of the House of Commons"). He died 2 March 1775. Sir John was Second to Lord Hervey in his duel with William Pulteney (afterwards Earl of Bath), in St. James' Park 25 Jan. 1731. Horace Walpole described him as "short and choleric," and relates a successful encounter which he had with Sir Fletcher Norton. Dr. Nash said of him that "at 91 his memory, good humour and politeness were then in their full bloom; old age which in general is not to be wished for, seemed in him rather an ornament than a burden."

1727.	Aug. 22.	John Rudge. Sir J. Rushout. William Taylor.	W. W. <i>W</i> .	4! I. 390. 383.
1734.	April 30.	Sir J. Rushout. William Taylor.	W. W.	114. 114.
		Edward Rudge.	W.	68.

The two former were returned. Rushout and Taylor, though Whigs, were in opposition to Walpole. It is somewhat doubtful whether the defeated candidate was Edward or John Rudge.

William Taylor was second son of Rev. Francis Taylor D.D. of South Littleton, b. 1697, bar. at law Inner Temple 13 Nov. 1724, was Recorder of Evesham, adm. an Hon. Freeman of Worcester 1729, elected High Steward of the Corporation of Chipping Campden, co. Glouc. March 1732, built a mansion at Middle Hill, Broadway, 1724, voted against the Convention 1739, unsucc. cont. Evesham 1727, but rep. it 1734 till his death s.p. 15 April 1741, aged 44. (M.I. Broadway). Thomas Taylor was Mayor of Evesham 1736.

1741. May 7. Sir J. Rushout. W. Edward Rudge. W.

Of Wheatfield, Oxon., only son of the M.P. 1698, b. 22 Oct. 1703, m. 8 April 1729 Elizabeth dau. and co-heir of Matthew Howard, of Hackney, sat for Aylesbury Feb. 1728-34, and Evesham 1741-54 and April 1756-61, defeated there (? 1734 and) 1754, was F.R.S., and d.s.p. 6 June 1763. Of his sisters, Susannah, the elder, m. Sir Wm. Stanhope K.B. 2nd son of Philip Earl of Chesterfield, and Elizabeth m. Welbore Ellis, Lord Mendip.

- 1742. Feb. 24. Sir \int Russiant, re-ei, on accepting office as a Lord of the Treasury.
- 1743. Dec. 28. Sir J. Rusinout, re-el. on being made Treasurer of the Navy.
 - 1747. July 1. Sir J. Rushom. Edward Rudge.
 - 1754. April 15. Sir J. Rushout. 395. John Porter. 340. *Edward Rudge*. 229.

John Porter was a Citizen and Salter of London, and elected Alderman of Lime-street Ward by a considerable majority 6 Aug. 1752. He was nominated one of the Sheriffs of London and Middlesex 23 July but was defeated on a poll 30 July 1755. He sat for Evesham 1754 till his death 11 April 1756. His brother, Sir James Porter Knt., was b. in Dublin 1710, and was Ambassador to Turkey Sept. 1746 to May 1761, and Minister at Brussels May 1763-5. Their father, La Roche, Captain of a troop of horse under James II., took the name of Porter.

1756. April 23. Edward Rudge, vice Porter dec.

1761. April 2. Sir John Rushout. W. —

John Rushout W. —

William Baylies. T. —

Thomas Cookes T. —

Father and son. Dr. Baylies pet. against Mr. Rushout Nov. 1761, but afterwards withdrew it. Thomas Cookes was a wealthy attorney at Evesham, and nephew to Sir Wm. Cookes Bt. William Baylies M.D. was the son of an Evesham apothecary, and married Mr. Cookes' daughter. He afterwards practised abroad, at Dresden, and in 1774 Frederick the Great hearing of his great skill sent for him to reside at Berlin, and he became Physician and Privy Councillor to that Monarch.

John Rushout, of Northwick Park, Campden, co. Glouc., and Burford House, Tenbury, only son of Sir John (see 1722), whom he succ. as 5th Bart. 2 March 1775, was b. 23 July 1739, matric. Ch. Ch. Oxon., 20 Oct. 1756, nom. a Dep. Lieut. co. Worc. 3 Feb. 1763, and m. 3 June 1766 Rebecca dau. of Humphrey Bowles, of Wanstead, Essex, and Tenbury. He was Mayor of Evesham 1768, M.P. 1761-96, created Lord Northwick 26 Oct. 1797, and d. at Northwick Park 20 Oct. 1800.

1768. March 21. John Rushout. W. George Durant. T.

Of Clent Hall, son of Rev. Josiah Durant of Hagley, b. 1732, matric. St. Edmund Hall, Oxon. 23 Feb. 1750, aged 17, was a Clerk in the office of the Paymaster General of the Forces in 1757, till app. Feb. 1762 Paymaster to the Forces going on an expedition under the Earl of Albemarle, which resulted in the capture of Havannah, which place was however ceded back to Spain when peace was made 10 Feb. 1763. He was M.P. Evesham 1768-74, when defeated, voted against Wilkes 1769, and having purchased in 1765 from Evelyn 2nd Duke of Kingston the estate of Tong Castle, Salop, he d. there 4 Aug. 1780. He was elected one of the Court of Assistants of the Charity for the relief of the poor Widows and Children of Clergymen 13 Nov. 1777.

1774. Oct. 18. John Rushout. W. 490. Henry Seymour. W. 373. Viscount Milsingtown. T. 241. George Durant. T. 64.

Henry Seymour, of Sherborne, Dorset, and Norton, Evesham, was the only son of Francis Seymour M.P., of Sherborne, (who was next brother to Sir Edward Seymour Bt. who became 9th Duke of Somerset 7 Feb. 1750). He matric. New Coll. Oxon. 23 April 1747, aged 17, m. (1) 24 July 1753 Lady Caroline Cowper (who d. 2 June 1773) eldest dau. of Wm. 2nd Earl Cowper, (2) 5 Oct. 1775 Louise Countess de Ponthou, of Normandy, was a Groom of the Bedchamber to the King May 1761 to Aug. 1765, M.P. Huntingdon 1768-74, Evesham 1774-80, and d. 14 April 1807. He had seats at Redland Court, co. Gloucester, and Northbrook, Devon.

Wm. Charles (Colyear) Viscount Milsinton M.A., St. John's Coll. Camb. 1767, succ. his father as 3rd Earl of Portmore 1785, and d. 1823.

1780. Sept. 23. Sir John Rushout. W. 435. C. W. Boughton-Rouse. W. 379. Charles Rudge. W. 357.

Charles William Boughton-Rouse, of Downton Hall, Salop, 6th son of Shuckburgh Boughton of Poston Court, co. Hereford, spent some years of his early life in India, but under the will of Thomas (Phillips) Rouse (descendant of Sir Thomas Rouse M.P. co. Worc. 1654), succ. to the Rouse Lench estate 1768, and assumed the name of Rouse. He m. 3 June 1782 Caroline only dau. and heir of William Pearce Hall, of Downton Hall, sat for Evesham 1780-90, and for Bramber 1796-1800, was Secretary to the Broad of Control Sept. 1784 to May 1791, created a Bart. 21 June 1791, and became entitled by R.L. 13 May 1791, to quarter the arms of Rouse of Rouse Lench with the arms of Lawford,

and to use the surname of Rouse either before or after his family name of Boughton, while in possession of Rouse Lench. He also succ. his only brother Sir Edward Boughton, of Lawford Hall, co. Warwick, as 9th Bart. 26 Feb. 1794, and then resumed his paternal surname of Boughton, and as Sir C. W. Rouse-Boughton was an Audit Commissioner Feb. 1800 until his death 26 Feb. 1821.

1784. April 3. Sir J. Rushout. T. C. W. Boughton-Rouse. T.

1790. July 3. Sir J. Rushout. T. 418. Thomas Thompson. W. 407. Francis Sullivan. 374.

The poll lasted 11 days. Sir Francis Ford Bt. canvassed, but retired before the poll. Mr. Thompson of Bentley Heath, co. Warwick, and Goldingham Park, Herts, who came in on the "popular" interest, "was the son of Levi, a Jew well-known in the City and upon 'Change. He was well educated, possessed of a sprightly genius, and his taste in the arts was refined. The munificence of his parent had been princely; but play was one of the modes in which he impaired his fortune; until ultimately nothing could induce him to touch either a card or a die." (May's History of Evesham). He sat for Evesham 1790-6, and d. at Kensington Gravel Pits 29 July 1818.

1796. June 6. Charles Thellusson. T. 261. Patrick C. Bruce. W. 249. Humphrey Howarth W. 183.

The poll was kept open 5 days, when 400 voted. Charles Thellusson was the 3rd and yst. son of Peter Thellusson M.P. of Brodsworth, Yorks, (son of Isaac de Thellusson, Ambassador from Geneva to Louis XV. of France). Peter Thellusson settled in London, and made an immense fortune as a merchant, but made by his will such an extraordinary disposition of the bulk of his property, that the celebrated Thellusson Act was passed in 1799, forbidding in future testators to direct accumulation of their property beyond 21 years after their death. Charles Thellusson was b. 2 Feb. 1770, m. 15 Jan. 1795 Sabine eldest dau. of Abraham Robarts of London, banker (see Worcester 1796), was a London merchant, sat for Evesham 1796-1806, and d. 2 Nov. 1815. His eldest brother was created Lord Rendlesham 1806.

Patrick Crauford Bruce, of Taplow Court, Bucks., was in 1806 an East India merchant in London, and a partner in Vere, Bruce & Co. He was created Hon. D.C.L. Oxford 6 July 1810, M.P. Evesham 1796-1806, Rye 1806-7, Dundalk Aug. 1807 to July 1808 when he retired, and d. 31 March 1820. His son assisted in the escape of Lavalette.

1802. July 12. Charles Thellusson. Patrick C. Bruce.

Mr. Howarth presented a petition 1 Dec. 1802.

1806. Nov. 3. William Manning. T. Humphrey Howarth W.

William Manning of Copped Hall, Totteridge, Herts, son of William M. of St. Mary Axe, was b. 1763, and m. (1) 23 Oct. 1786 Elizabeth (who d. 29 March 1789), dau. of Abel Smith M.P., of Nottingham, and sister to Robert 1st Lord Carrington, and (2) 1792 Mary younger dau. of Henry Hunter, of Beech Hill, Reading, and sister to Sir Claudius Hunter 1st Bart., Lord Mayor of London 1811-12. Mr. Manning (whose father took a leading part in repressing the Gordon riots and protecting the homes of those suspected of tolerating Roman Catholics), made and lost a considerable fortune. He was an eminent West India merchant, Agent for the Island of St. Vincent in 1806 and 1816, a Director of the Bank of England in 1806, 1816, 1830, the Volunteers of which establishment were commanded by him. He was Governor of the Bank 1812-13, a Commr. of Lieutenancy for the City of London in 1800, a V.P. of the London Institution in 1816, M.P. Plympton Earl Feb. 1794-6, Lymington 1796-1806, Evesham 1806-18, Penryn 1826-30, and in 1804 moved the order of the day and spoke against Wilberforce's motion to abolish the slave trade. Ábout 1815 he sold his Totteridge property and bought Lord Frederick Cavendish's beautiful estate of Coombe Bank, Sundridge, Kent. Having, however, experienced a vicissitute of fortune, he resigned his position as a Director of the Bank of England in 1831, and sold Coombe Bank, and thenceforth lived a retired life in Upper Gower Street, London, until his death 17 April 1835, aged 71. He was one of the 48 Common Councilmen of Worcester in 1829, a Trustee of the Free School, Evesham, in 1834, and app. one of the Council of King's Coll. London, by Royal Charter 14 Aug. 1829. His 3rd and yst. son Henry Edward, the celebrated Cardinal Manning, d. 14 Jan. 1892.

Humphrey Howarth was decended from a Herefordshire family, one of which Sir Humphrey Howarth Knt. was M.P. co. Radnor 1722-55, (see Williams' Parl. Hist. of Wales). His elder brother Henry Howarth K.C. was elected for Abingdon Dec. 1782, but was found drowned in the Thames 1783. Humphrey Howarth (perhaps son of Robert Howorth, Sword-bearer to the Corporation of Worcester, who d. 1767, and whose portrait is in Worcester Guildhall), was b. 1751, practised for some time as a physician in India, and after his return unsucc. cont. Evesham 1796, petitioned there 1802, rep. it 1806-7, when he lost his seat, but was seated on petition Feb. 1808, and sat till 1820. He d. at Banstead, Surrey, 14 Sept. 1827, aged 76. In 1808 he was described as a sportsman, and the owner of some successful race-horses.

1807. May 13. William Manning. T. 494. Sir M. M. Lopes. T. 334. *Humphrey Howarth. W.* 320.

Poll open 6 days, when 695 voted. Mr. Howarth was seated on petition in the room of Sir M. M. Lopes 22 Feb. 1808.

Sir Manasseh Masseh Lopes of Maristow, Devon, only son of Mordecai Rodrigues Lopes of Clapham, (the descendant of Spanish Jews), was b. in Jamaica 27 Jan. 1755, and m. 19 Oct. 1795 Charlotte dau. of John Yates of Monmouth. He was created a Bart. 1 Nov. 1805, with special remainder to his nephew Ralph Franco. J.P. and D.L. Devon, H.S. 1810, M.P. New Romney 1802-6, Evesham 1807 till uns. Feb. 1808, defeated at Barnstaple Jan. 1812, but rep. it Oct. 1812 till 1819 when he was unseated, and no fresh writ was issued till the dissolution of that Parliament. On 18 March 1819 "he was found guilty at Exeter assizes of having corrupted and bribed the electors of Barnstaple by giving the voters £35 each. On 2 April Mr. Wynn moved in the House of Commons that the Attorney General should prosecute him for bribery, and on 15 Nov. he was sentenced in the Court of King's Bench, for his first offence committed in Cornwall to pay to the King a fine of £8,000 and to be imprisoned in Exeter Gaol for 21 months, and for the second offence committed in Devonshire to pay a fine of £2,000 and go to gaol for 3 months." (Gent. Mag.) He again sat in Parliament for Westbury (of which Borough he was the "patron," and also Recorder), from Nov. 1820 to Feb. 1829 when he resigned in order to provide a seat for Sir Robert Peel. He was in 1806 Lt.-Col. Commandant of the Roborough Volunteers, and in 1813 a Director of the Rock Life Assurance Office, and assumed by R.L. the name of Massey. He d. s.p. at Maristow House 26 March 1831, aged 76, when "the value of his property exceeded £,800,000." (Gent. Mag.)

1812. Oct. 6. William Manning. Humphrey Howarth.

1818. July 2. Humphrey Howarth. W. 410. W. E. Rouse-Boughton. W. 359. Sir C. Cockerell. T. 341.

The poll was kept open 12 days, when 682 voted. Sir Charles petitioned 22 Jan., and was declared duly elected in the place of Mr. Rouse-Boughton 23 Feb. 1819.

Sir Charles Cockerell, of Sesincote, co. Gloucester, 9th son of John C. of Bishops Hull, Somerset, was b. 18 Feb. 1755, ent. the Surveyor General of India's Office at Bengal 1776, and served the East India Co. till 1800, and was Postmaster General in India 1804-6. On his return home he became an eminent India Agent, Merchant, and

Banker, and an East India Proprietor, was a Director of the Globe Insurance Co. in 1813, (until his death), H.S. co. Glouc. 1814, Mayor of Evesham 1810, 1833, and a Trustee of the Free School there in 1834. He m. (1) 11 March 1789 Mary Tryphena (who d.s p. 8 Oct. 1789), dau. of Sir Charles Wm. Blunt Bt., and (2) 13 Feb. 1808 Hon. Harriet Rushout, elder dau. of John 1st Lord Northwick (see 1761). Sir Charles sat for Tregoney 1802-6, Lostwithiel Jan. to April 1807, Bletchingley Jan. 1809-12, Seaford Feb. 1816-18, Evesham (where he was defeated 1818 but gained the seat on petition) Feb. 1819-37, and was a Commr. of the Board of Control for the affairs of India April 1835 till his death 6 Jan. 1837, aged 82. His only dau. m. Viscount Deerhurst (see Worcester 1816).

1820. March 6. W. E. Rouse-Boughton. Sir C. Cockerell.

William Edward Rouse-Boughton, of Downton Hall, Salop, and Rouse Lench, only son of the M.P. 1780, whom he succ. as 10th and 2nd Bart. 26 Feb. 1821, was b. in London 14 Sept. 1788, matric. Ch. Ch. Oxon. 21 Jan. 1806, B.A. 1808, m. 24 March 1824 Charlotte, yst. dau. of Thomas Andrew Knight, of Wormesley Grange, and Maryknowle, co. Hereford, (Pres. Horticultural Society), and niece of Richard Payne Knight M.P., of Downton Castle, (see Williams' Herefordshire Members), was M.P. Evesham 1818 till uns. Feb. 1819, and 1820-6, F.R.S., patron of 3 livings, and d. 22 May 1856.

1826. June 16. Sir C. Cockerell. W. 231. E. Protheroe jun. W. 137. Patrick Grant. T. 87.

Poll open 4 days, when 311 voted. Sir Roger Gresley Bt. canvassed as a candidate, but retired a few days before the election, to contest Lichfield. Mr. Grant was afterwards editor of the "True Sun" newspaper.

Edward Protheroe jun. of Newnham, co. Glouc., son of Edward Protheroe M.P. (see *Williams' Gloucestershire Members*), was b. 1798, matric. Ch. Ch. Oxon. 3 Feb. 1817, aged 18, was J.P. and D.L. co. Glouc., D.L. Bristol, one of the Royal Commrs. on Public Records 1830-4, M.P. Evesham 1826-30, Bristol 1831-2, defeated there 1830, 1832, and at Halifax 1835, for which he sat 1837-47. He took the prefix surname of Davis 21 Jan. 1845 in compliance with the will of Dame Mary Hill of Turnwood, Dorset (wife of Lt.-Gen. Sir Dudley St. Leger Hill K.C.B., and previously wife of Mark Davis of Turnwood), from whom he derived considerable property, and d.v.p. in London 18 Aug. 1852, aged 54.

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1830. Ang. 4. Sir C. Cockerell. W. 231.

Lord Kennedy. T. 148.

Alexander Raphael. W. 110.

Poll open 3 days, when 301 voted. John Harris of Southwark had been a candidate, but withdrew before the poll. On petition of the Freemen of Evesham 4 Nov. 1830, this election was declared void 13 Dec., and a new writ was not issued during the existence of this Parliament.

Archibald Kennedy commonly called Lord Kennedy, eldest son of Archibald 12th Earl of Cassilis (created Marquis of Ailsa 10 Sept. 1831), was b. 4 June 1794, m. 1 May 1814 Eleanor only dau. and heir of Alexander Allardyce M.P. of Dunotar, co. Kincardine, sat for Evesham Aug. to Dec. 1830, when uns, and was defeated 1831, became Earl of Cassilis by courtesy 10 Sept. 1831, and d.v.p. 12 Aug. 1832.

In the commencement of 1831 Lt.-Col. Wm. Leader Maberley of the 76th regt. then stationed in Ireland, issued an address to the electors of Evesham, and his father canvassed on his behalf, in anticipation of a new writ being issued, but owing to the motions made by the Marquis of Chandos in the House, the matter was delayed for 4 months, until finally the Parliament was dissolved 23 April 1831. Col. Maberley was M.P. Westbury 1819-20, Northampton 1820-30, Shaftesbury 1831-2, Chatham 1832-4, Clerk of the Ordnance 1832-4, a Commr. of the Customs 1834-6, Secretary to the Post Office 1836-54, and d. 6 Feb. 1885, aged 76.

1831. May 6. Sir C. Cockerell. W. 208. Thomas Hudson. W. 157. Lord Kennedy T. 136.

327 voted. The plumpers were, Cockerell 23, Hudson 30, Kennedy 4. Thomas Hudson of London and Cheswardine Hall, Salop, was an East India proprietor, M.P. Evesham 1831-4, and First Prothonotary of the Common Pleas in 1830 and until the office was abolished in 1837 or 1838. He m. Frances elder dau. of Robert Bamford Hesketh of Bamford Hall, Lancashire, and d. in London 14 April 1852, aged 80, when he left his estate to his great nephew Charles Donaldson, who took the name of Hudson 1862.

1832. Dec. 11. Sir C. Cockerell. W. 234.

Thomas Hudson. W. 212.

Peter Borthwick. T. 126.

There were 359 registered electors of whom 332 voted. The plumpers were, for Cockerell 31, Hudson 24, Borthwick 37. Split votes, Cockerell and Hudson 151, Cockerell and Borthwick 52, Hudson and Borthwith 37.

1835. Jan. 6. Sir C. Cockerell. W. Peter Borthwick. T.

Peter Borthwick, only son of Thomas B., of Edinburgh, was b. 13 Sept. 1804, sometime fellow commoner Downing Coll. Camb., and adm. to Grays Inn 26 Jan. 1838, where he was called to the bar 28 April 1847. He m. 8 Jan. 1827 Margaret dau. of John Colville, of Ewart, Northumberland. Having unsucc. cont. Evesham 1832, he represented the Borough 1835 to March 1838 when he was unseated on petition, and again 1841-7. In 1847 he was unsuccessful both at St. Ives and at Penryn and Falmouth. Mr. Borthwick d. 18 Dec. 1852, aged 48, leaving a son Algernon (see 1880), who was raised to the Peerage as Lord Glenesk 1895.

1837. Feb. 4. G. Rushout-Bowles. T. 165. *Lord Marcus Hill. W.* 140.

vice Cockerell dec. As to George Rushout-Bowles see the County 1847.

1837. July 25. George Rushout. T. 168.
Peter Borthwick. T. 166.

Lord Marcus Hill. W. 156.

The plumpers were, for Rushout 2, Borthwick 3, Hill 119. Split votes, Rushout and Borthwick 146, Rushout and Hill 20, Borthwick and Hill 17. 307 voted out of 354. On petition Lord Marcus Hill was seated in the room of Mr. Borthwick 21 March 1838.

Lord Arthur Marcus Cecil Hill was 3rd son of Arthur 2nd Marquis of Downshire, by Mary Baroness Sandys, (in her own right, so created 19 June 1802, niece and heir of Edwin 2nd Lord Sandys, see Droitwich 1747). He was b. in Hanover Square 28 Jan. 1798, graduated at Edinburgh Univ., was attached to the Embassy at Madrid Oct. 1816, Précis Writer at the Foreign Office 1822, served at Verona in 1822, and at Paris in 1823, app. Secretary of Legation at Florence 1824, at Lisbon Jan. 1825, and at Rio Janeiro the same year, was Sec. to the Special Embassy at St. Petersburg in 1827, and app. Sec. of Embassy at Constantinople 1830, but declined the office. Lord Marcus Hill as he was commonly called, m. 12 April 1837 Louisa, yst. dau. of Joseph Blake, of Gloucester Place, London, and was M.P. Newry 1832-4, Evesham (where he failed Feb. and July 1837, but was seated on petition) March 1838-52, sworn a Member of the Privy Council June 1841, and was Comptroller of the Queen's Household June to Sept. 1841, and July 1846-7, and Treasurer of the Household July 1847 to Feb. 1852. He acted as one of the Liberal "Whips" 1841-52. Lord Marcus became a Knight of the Tower and Sword of Portugal 1825, and succ. his brother Arthur as 3rd Lord Sandys 16 July 1860. He assumed the surname of Sandys only, and the arms of Sandys and Hill quarterly by R.L. 11 Feb. 1861, and d. 10 Sept. 1863.

1841. June 30. Lord Marcus Hill. W. 188.
Peter Borthwick. T. 161.
George Rushout. T. 137.

The plumpers were, for Hill 108, Borthwick 42, Rushout 37. The colours were—Whig, Orange and Purple; Rushout, Scarlet and Blue; Borthwick, Blue.

1846. July 11. Lord Marcus Hill, re-el. on taking office.

1847. July 29. Lord Marcus Hill. L. 195. Sir H. P. Willoughby L.C. 172. Sir Ralph Howard. L. 131.

Col. Sir Ralph Howard Bart. of Bushey Park, was a grandson of the 1st Earl of Wicklow, and M.P. co. Wicklow 1829-47 and 1848-52. He m. 1837 Charlotte Anne widow of Sir James John Fraser Bart. (see Kidderminster 1874), and d.s.p. 1873.

Sir Henry Pollard Willoughby of Baldon House, Oxon., 2nd son of Sir Christopher W. 1st Bt., was b. 17 Nov. 1796, educ. at Eton, matric. Ch. Ch. Oxon. 27 Oct. 1814, succ. his brother Sir Christopher Wm. as 3rd Bart. 24 June 1813, was D.L. Oxfordshire, patron of one living, M.P. Yarmouth (Isle of Wight) 1831-2, Newcastle-under-Lyme 1832-4, was defeated there 1835, and at Poole 1837, and Northampton 1841, and sat for Evesham 1847 till his death unm. 23 March 1865.

1852. July 7. Sir H. P. Willoughby. J. C. 189. G. C. L. Berkeley. L. 170. Charles Wilkins. L. 87.

Serjeant Wilkins also unsucc. cont. York May 1848.

Grenville Charles Lennox Berkeley, younger son of Admiral the Hon. Sir George Cranfield Berkeley G.C.B., M.P. (son of Augustus 4th Earl of Berkeley), was b. in London 30 March 1806, and m. 15 May 1827 Augusta Elizabeth yst. dau. of James Henry Leigh of Stoneleigh Abbey, co. Warwick, and sister of Chandos 1st Lord Leigh. He became Lieut. 28th foot 16 June 1825, Capt. 22 April 1826, but was placed on half-pay 31 May 1827, unsucc cont. W. Gloucestershire 1847, was M.P. Cheltenham Sept. 1848-52 and July 1855-6, Evesham 1852-5, one of the Liberal "Whips" 1852-6, Sec. to the Poor Law Board Jan. 1853-6, a Commr. of the Customs May 1856 till he res. Nov. 1886, and d. 25 Sept. 1896, aged 90.

1855. July 11. Edward Holland of Dumbleton (see East Worcestershire 1835), vice Berkeley who accepted the Chiltern Hundreds in order to stand for Cheltenham.

1857.	March 28.	Sir H. P. Willoughby. Edward Holland. W. P. Addison.	L.	172. 170. 61.
1859.	April 30.	Sir H. P. Willoughby. Edward Holland. Edwin Chadwick.	C. L. <i>L</i> .	188. 149. 49.

Mr. Chadwick who was also defeated at Kilmarnock 1868, was b. 1800, called to the bar at Inner Temple 1830, a Commr. of inquiry into the administration of the Poor Laws 1833, Sec. of the Poor Law Commission 1834-47, a Commr. of the first General Board of Health 1848, retired on a pension 1855, was created C.B. 27 April 1848, K.C.B. about 1887, and d. 1890.

1865. April 4. Lt. Col. James Bourne of Heathfield, Liverpool, and Hackinsall, Lancashire, vice Willoughby dec. Eldest surviving son of Peter B. of Hackinsall, was b. 8 Oct. 1812, educ. at Shrewsbury School, and m. 11 Oct. 1841 Sarah Harriot dau. of Thomas Fournis Dyson of Everton, Lancashire. He was J.P. and D.L. Lancashire, Lt. Col. Commandant R. Lancashire Artillery Militia 13 April 1863-81, Hon. Col. thereof 1881, Hon. Col. 4th Brigade Lancashire Artillery Volunteers 18 Sept. 1867 to Feb. 1874, unsucc. cont. Wexford 1841, and sat for Evesham 1865-80. He was created a Baronet 10 May 1880, C.B. 24 May 1881, and d. 14 March 1882, aged 69. The title expired on the death of his only son Lt.-Col. Sir James Dyson Bourne 2nd Bt. in 1883.

1865. July 12. James Bourne C. 175. Edward Holland L. 124. Josiah Harris. L. 29.

At the dissolution of this Parliament 11 Nov. 1868, Evesham was deprived of one Member, by virtue of the Reform Act 1867.

1868. Nov. 17. James Bourne. C. 347. L. Richardson. L. 303. 1874. Feb. 3. Col. J. Bourne. J. N. Higgins. L. 299.

Joseph Napier Higgins Q.C. who also unsucc. cont. Mid Surrey 1880, was b. 1826, bar. at law Lincolns Inn 1851, Bencher 1872, Treasurer 1891, Q.C. 1872, Vice Ch Council of Legal Education, and m. 1861 Sophia Elizabeth yst. dau. and co-heir of Sir Thomas Tyringham Bernard 6th Bart. of Winchendon Priory, Bucks.

1880. April. Daniel Ratcliffe. L. 382.

Algernon Borthwick. C. 373.

On petition this election was declared void. The defeated candidate Sir Algernon Borthwick of Heath House, Hampstead Heath, son of the M.P. 1835, was b. 27 Dec. 1830, educ. at King's Coll.,

London, and m. 5 April 1870 Alice Beatrice 2nd dau. of Thomas Henry Lister of Armitage Park, co. Stafford (the first Registrar General 1837-42). He is proprietor of the *Morning Post*, and J.P. Middlesex, was Knighted 21 April 1880, and created a Baronet 12 July 1887. Having unsucc. cont. Evesham 1880, Sir Algernon sat for South Kensington 1885-95, and was raised to the Peerage as Lord Glenesk 16 Nov. 1895.

Daniel Rowlinson Ratcliff of London, son of Joseph R. of Edgbaston, was b. 1839, m. Jane only child of Wm. Milner of Liverpool, was M.P. Evesham April to June 1880 when uns., and is J.P. cos. Worcester and Warwick, and Chairman of Milner's Safe Co. Ld.

1880. July 9. Frederick Lehmann. L. 378. F. D. Dixon-Hartland. C. 376.

On petition and a scrutiny the seat was awarded to Mr. Dixon-Hartland 16 Dec. 1880, the poll being altered to 375 votes for him, and 372 for Mr. Lehmann.

Frederick Lehmann F.R.G.S., son of L. Lehmann of Hamburg, was b. 1826, m. Nina dau. of Dr. Robert Chambers of Edinburgh, unsucc. cont. Middlesex 1874, and co. Waterford 1877, sat for Evesham July to Dec. 1880, when uns., and d. 22 Aug. 1891, aged 65.

The last Member for Evesham, Frederick Dixon Dixon-Hartland of Ashley Manor, Cheltenham, eldest son of Nathaniel Hartland of Oaklands, Charlton Kings, by Eliza dau. and co-heir of Thomas Dixon of King's Lynn, was b. 1 May 1832, educ. at Cheltenham College, and Clapham Grammar School, and m. (1) 15 Oct. 1867 Grace Amy (who d. 22 Dec. 1892) yst. dau. of Col. Nicholas Wilson K.H. of Sleda, co. Wexford, and (2) 25 April 1895 Agnes Chichester dau. of William Langham Christie M.P. of Glyndebourne, Sussex, (the last Member for Lewes 1874-85). He was defeated at Hereford April 1880, and unsucc. cont. Evesham in July but was awarded the seat on petition in Dec. 1880 and sat till 1885, since when he has represented the Uxbridge division of Middlesex. He was created a Baronet by patent dated 13 Oct. 1892, and confirmed by R.L. in Sept. Sir Frederick 1892 the use of the prefix surname of Dixon. is a partner in Woodbridge, Lacy & Co., of the Uxbridge Old Bank, a Governor (and formerly Almoner) of Christ's Hospital, one of H.M.'s Lieutenants for the City of London, a J.P. for cos. Gloucester, Middlesex, and Worcester, (1884), was elected F.S.A. 4 May 1854, F.R.G.S. May 1854, a County Alderman for Middlesex 7 Feb. 1889, and Chairman of the Thames Conservancy Board 7 Jan. 1895.

The Borough of Evesham had 359 registered voters in 1832, 750 in 1868, 748 in 1874, and 825 in 1884. The Mayor was the Returning Officer. By the third Reform Act of 1885, Evesham was deprived of its remaining Member, and the Borough became merged in the County.

MEMBERS FOR BEWDLEY.

The Borough of Bewdley was the last constituency in Worcestershire to be enfranchised, the privilege being granted 4 James I. It is the only one in the County whose representation has been limited to one Member during 3 centuries. The Bailiff acted as the Returning Officer till 1836, when, upon the reform of the Corporation, the Mayor took his place. Mr. Roberts, an attorney, acquired the patronage of the Borough in 1806, which he exercised for several years. In 1816 Bewdley possessed 13 voters—the Bailiff and Capital Burgesses.

1605. Richard Young. Possibly a younger son of Humphrey Young, of Croome Dabitot, and d.s.p.

1614. March. James Button. Probably a descendant of the Buttons of Alton, Wilts, originally of co. Gloucester. Miles Button, of Worlton, Glamorgan, (H.S. 1570), had four sons, the third of him, James Button (brother to Sir Thomas Button, the Arctic navigator), had a son James. On 13 Dec. 1617 Sir John Dackombe wrote to Thomas Pickering, Keeper of the Records at Knaresborough, to permit James Button or any other deputed by the Bishop of Worcester to search and copy such records as relate to the Nab, near Swindon, Yorks.

1620. Dec. 19. Sir Thomas Edmonds Knt.

He was the 5th son of Thomas E., of Fowey, Cornwall, (who was Mayor of Plymouth 1582), and was b. at Plymouth (? in 1563). Through the influence of his patron Sir Francis Walsingham, Secretary of State, he was app. 1592 English Agent to Henry IV. at Paris (salary 20s. a day), and was made Secretary to Queen Elizabeth for the French tongue 17 May 1596, and recalled from Paris soon afterwards. He resumed his post as Agent at Paris in Oct. 1597 for a short time, and again between July 1598 and June 1599, and was a Commr. to treat with Spain at Boulogne 16 May to 28 July 1598. He was then app. a Clerk of the Privy Council, which office he still enjoyed in May 1603. He was knighted 20 May 1603, M.P. Liskeard Oct. to Dec. 1601, Wilton 1604-11, Bewdley and Dorchester 1620, when he preferred Bewdley till 1622, Chichester 1624-5, Oxford Univ. 1625, and Jan. to March 1626 when uns., and Penryn 1628-9, and being

app. Ambassador to the Archduke at Brussels 1604, left England for Brussels 19 April 1605, after getting the reversion of the office of Clerk of the Crown. He was recalled from Brussels 1609, and was Ambassador to France May 1610-16, Comptroller of the King's Household 21 Dec. 1616-18, Treasurer of the Household 19 Jan. 1618-39, sworn a Privy Councillor 22 Dec. 1616, was again app. for a short time Ambassador to France April 1617, and held that post a third time June to Sept. 1629. He succeeded as Clerk of the Crown 1620, and was a Commr. for managing the affairs of the Prince of Wales and the other Royal Children in 1636. Sir Thomas m. (1) May 1601 Magdalen (who d. at Paris 31 Dec. 1614) dau. and co-heir of Sir John Wood, Clerk of the Signet, and (2) was licensed 11 Sept. 1626 to marry Sara dau. of Sir James Harington of Exton, and sister of the 1st Lord Harington, and widow of George Lord Hastings, and of Edward 11th Lord Zouche (who d. 1625). His first wife brought him the manor of Albyns, Romford, Essex, where Inigo Jones erected a mansion for him. Edmondes who d. 28 Sept. 1639, aged about 76, was very short in stature, and was known to his contemporaries as "the little man." His reputation as a diplomatist was very great, and Sir Robert Cecil described him as "very trusty and sufficient.'

1624. Feb. Ralph Clare of Caldwell.

Eldest son and heir of Sir Francis Clare (who d. 8 June 1608, inq. p.m. 6 Oct. 1614), and was b. 1589, matric. Hart. Hall 12 May 1597, aged 10, B.A. from St. John's Coll. 17 Feb. 1601, a student of the Middle Temple 1602, and was a "servant" to Prince Henry from about 1606 till the Prince's death 6 Nov. 1612, and afterwards (as a Gentleman of the Privy Chamber) to Charles I. and II. He was made K.B. 2 Feb. 1626, M.P. Droitwich March to June 1614, 1621-2, Bewdley 1624-5, 1625, Jan. to June 1626, 1628-9, Oct. 1640, by Double Return till election declared void, and failed and petitioned 1661, and was Keeper of Bewdley Park and the deer at Twickenham temp. James I. (quaere granted that place 1606). John Acton of Elmley Lovett granted him 30 April 1619 the second presentation to the rectory of All Hallows. Bristol. He was app. the first Steward of Kidderminster 4 Aug. 1636, was Lord of the Manor of Bewdley in 1655, and till his death, having received a lease of Bewdley from Charles II. On 19 Aug. 1646 Sir Ralph Clare was "assessed at £1,000, and on 8 March 1648 was to be sequestered for non-payment, but on 10 July 1650 his assessment was discharged, as he has compounded and paid his fine." He "compounded for delinquency 20 Aug. 1646. Having been 40 years a servant in ordinary to the late King and Prince Henry was subject to the greater obligations of attendance on His Majesty, yet never bore arms nor any office, and never executed the Commission of Array nor any other, save that for paying the soldiers of Worcester garrison. His goods, furniture, deeds &c. left at his house in St. James's, where he lived, have been seized and disposed of by the Sequestrators. 22 May 1649, fine at one sixth, £448. 9 July, Having paid a moiety thereof begs a review and leave to enjoy his Keepership of Bewdley Park, according to his grant, the same not being an office of trust. 17 July, fine reduced by £150 as he has paid half the £448, he is to be discharged on paying £74 more. 25 Nov. 1651, Begs a copy of the charge against him of having assisted the Scots at Worcester. Complains that his estate has been seized notwithstanding his former discharge." He and Sir John Packington (see the County 1640) took up arms for Charles II. in 1651, but were defeated at the disastrous Battle of Worcester 3 Sept. and taken prisoners. In June 1655 Col. Sandys (see Co. 1661), Major Wilde, and Sir Ralph Clare were committed to Worcester gaol, but were released by General Berry (see Co. He served Charles II. in exile, and after his return was a Gentleman of the King's Privy Chamber 1660 till his death unm. 21 April 1670, aged 82, bur. 23 April in All Saints' Church Kidderminster. (M.I.) He was made J.P. co. Worc. 10 July 1660, and signed the County address to the King expressing peaceful sentiments towards the Roundheads 8 May 1660. A Warrant was granted 30 Aug. 1660 to pay him £3000 for services rendered to the King, and on 9 Aug. 1664 an order was made for a "Warrant to pay him £3000 for services rendered to the two last Kings, and for his loyalty and sufferings in the rebellion." Sir Ralph was "a man of eminent civility," and a devoted Royalist, who spent his fortune in the royal cause. He wielded great influence at Bewdley and Kidderminster, where he was a great opponent of the pious Richard Baxter, rector of Kidderminster. He sold Croome D'Abitot to Sir Thomas Coventry, (see Droitwich 1620). By his will he left Charities to Kidderminster, consisting of 6 Almshouses, and £30 to be lent to poor tradesmen. "1624, Paid to Mr. Ralph Clare his servt. for his paynes in bringing the Bucke which he bestowed upon the Bayleif and Burgesses—5s. od." (Bewdley Wardens' Accounts).

1625. May 5. The same, re-el. 22 Jan. 1626, 5 March 1628.

1640. March. Sir Henry Herbert Knt.

A petition was presented against his return, probably by Sir Ralph Clare, which was ordered 16 April 1640 to be proceeded with in order with other petitions, but the Parliament itself was dissolved 5 May following.

Sir Henry Herbert, the distinguished courtier, was the 6th son of Richard Herbert, of Montgomery Castle, (see Williams' Parl. Hist. of Wales), where he was b. about 1595. His eldest brother Edward was created Lord Herbert of Chirbury 1629, while George Herbert, the gentle and pious poet, was another brother. Henry Herbert spent some time in France, and was in 1619 second to his brother Edward n his

duel with Sir Robert Vaughan, and also fought several duels himself. He was sworn in "King James' servant" 20 March 1621, Knighted 7 Aug. 1623, and carried a bannerol at the King's funeral 1625 He acted as Deputy to Sir John Ashley the Master of the Revels, probably from 22 May 1622 when Ashley was granted the post, but was practically in unchallenged possession of the office and certainly performed its duties from 7 Aug. 1623, when the King "received him as Master of the Revels," until June 1642. He and Simon Thelwall were granted the reversion of the office 13-23 Aug. 1629 after the death of Ben Jonson (who d. 20 Nov. 1635), and Ashley (who d. 13 Jan. 1641), but Herbert perhaps bought their interests in the same before Richard Baxter visited him in 1633, when he introduced He was app. a Gentleman of the Privy that eminent divine at Court. Chamber to the King 20 March 1621 (and perhaps held the office until his death in 1673), and joined the expedition at Berwick against the Scots May 1639, and was M.P. Montgomery Jan. to June 1626, Bewdley March to May 1640, Oct. 1640 till disabled to sit 20 Aug. 1642, for joining the King, and executing the Commission of Array, and signed the loyal letter sent by the King's Parliament at Oxford to the Earl of Essex 27 Jan. 1644. Being brought before the Commrs. of Sequestration, Sir Wm. Brereton the Parliamentary General put in a good word for Herbert, and on 6 Jan. 1646 "begged favour of (for) him as being respectful to prisoners, and having done other good offices. Sat at Oxford. 3 Sept., Fine at one third £1,330, at two thirds £2,661." Sir Henry bought Ribbesford manor for £5,000 from Sir Henry Mildmay of Wanstead, Essex, 3 Aug. 1627, and was H.S. co. Worc. 1648. He was married twice, his 2nd wife whom he m. about 1650 being Elizabeth dau. of Sir Robert Offley of Dalby, co. Leicester. At the Restoration in 1660 Herbert became again Master of the Revels, for life, and on 1 Oct. 1660 a Warrant was granted "to pay him £,200, and to advance him yearly such sums as are needful for his office." (Cal. State Papers). He again sat for Bewdley 1661 until his death 27 April 1673, and was buried in St. Paul's Church, Covent Garden. Walton said of him, "he became a menial servant to the Crown in the days of King James, and hath continued to be so for 50 years, during all which time he hath been Master of the Revels, a place that requires a diligent wisdom, which he possessed." In the Bewdley Wardens' Accounts appear the following items: "1632, Paid for two gallons of wine when the Townsmen went to Sir Hen: herbert to Ribbesford -4s. od. "; "1637, Paid Sr. Hen: Harbt. which he disbursed at london for the Towne-£7 3s. 8d."

1640. Oct. 23. Sir Henry Herbert Knt. Sir Ralph Clare K.B.

A Double Return, but on petition Sir Ralph's election was disallowed.

1647. Jan. 6. Daniel Dobyns.William Hopkins.

Another Double Return vice Herbert disabled to sit, but the whole election was declared void. Daniel Dobyns of Kidderminster, son of Randell Dobyns of Newent, co. Gloucester, by Ursula dau. of Robert Kirle of Walford, co. Hereford, was H.S. co. Worc. 1641, a Sequestration Commr. in 1643, and one of the Parl. Committee for co. Worc. in 1646. On 6 Sept. 1641 he gave his certificate as Sheriff, that, being app. by Act of Parl. to receive the poll money for co. Worc. he had received £600 poll money from the Commrs. for Worcester limit which was a third part of the hundred of Oswaldslow. Mr. Dobbins who m. Ursula dau. of Robert Waller, was a London merchant, who bought the Old Hall, Kidderminster, 1635, from Edmund Waller M.P. the poet, and lived there for some years, but afterwards sold the capital mansion house and lands for £1200 to Sir Thomas Rouse, (see Co. 1654). "Final Concord" between W. Bund gent. and Daniel Dobbyns arm. 1651.

William Hopkins, of Bewdley, m. 30 Oct. 1609 Helen Vickaris, and d. 19 and was bur. 21 July 1647, (M.I. Ribbesford), "a gracious and able Christian, then Burgesse elected for Parliament for Burrough of Bewdley." (Church Register of Ribbesford). Richard Baxter mentioned him as "the most eminent and truly religious magistrate of Bewdley, at last Member of the Long Parliament." 1647, "paid Mr. Hopkins his charges in going to London to get allowance for our Minister—£2." (Bewdley Wardens' Accounts). His son George Hopkins M.A., New Inn Hall, Oxon, 1648, aged 27, was Minister of All Saints', Evesham, until ejected for nonconformity 1662.

- 1648. July 4. Nicholas Letchmer (see Co. 1654), vice Herbert disabled to sit, the last double election having been declared void.
 - 1653. July. No Member appointed for Bewdley.
 - 1654. July. No Member summoned from Bewdley.
 - 1659. Jan. Edward Pitts, (see Co. 1654).
 - 1660. April 13. Thomas Foley of Great Witley. (see Co. 1659).
 - 1661. April 15. Sir Henry Herbert. Sir Ralph Clare. —

The latter petitioned, but the House declared Sir Henry Herbert duly elected, and resolved 28 April 1662 "that the right of election is in the Bailiff and 12 capital burgesses of Bewdley app. by Charter 3 James I. exclusive of all others."

1673. Nov. 7. Philip Foley. — Henry Herbert. —

vice Sir Henry Herbert dec. Mr. Herbert however pet. 15 Jan. 1674, and was declared duly elected by order of the House and Mr. Foley's name was erased from the Return 10 March 1677. Henry Herbert, of Ribbesford, elder son of the M.P. 1640 (by his 2nd wife), was b. in King street, Covent Garden 2 July 1654, matric. Trin. Coll. Oxon. 8 Feb. 1670, ent. Inner Temple 1671, and Lincolns Inn 1672, and by his father's dying wish contested Bewdley 1673 (when aged 19), was seated on petition 1677 and sat till Jan. 1679 when he failed and petitioned. He m. (by licence dated 8 Feb.) 1678 Ann dau, and co-heir of Ald. Ramsay of London, and bought Dowles manor with part of her dowry £5000. He took up arms in co. Worc. for William Prince of Orange at the Revolution in 1688, was M.P. Worcester Feb. to March 1681, and again sat for Bewdley 1689 till 28 April 1694 when he was created Lord Herbert of Chirbury, having previously succ. his uncle Henry 4th (and last) Lord Herbert of Chirbury (of the 1st creation) in his estates upon his death April 1601. His Lordship presented to Ribbesford 7 March 1688, 10 July 1695, 18 Feb. 1706, and to Dowles 1683, 7 June 1694, 27 Jan. 1701, 1707, and in 1695 as patron and lord of the manor was called upon to arbitrate concerning the right to certain kneelings in Dowles Church. He petitioned the King 18 July 1691 for the office of Auditor of Wales, on the ground of his former services, but does not seem to have obtained the post His Lordship is said to have been always in pecuniary difficulties. He frequently acted as Chairman of Committees in the House of Lords, and was a Commr. of Trade and Foreign Plantations (£,1000 a year) from 1706 till his death of a fever 22 Jan. 1709, bur. in St. Paul's Church, Covent Garden.

1679. Feb. 14. Philip Foley. — Henry Herbert. —

Mr. Herbert petitioned, but the House resolved that Mr. Foley was duly elected, and that "all the inhabitants of Bewdley have not a a right to vote." Philip Foley, of Prestwood, co. Stafford, 3rd surviving son of Thomas Foley (see Co. 1659), was aged 30 at the *Visitation* in 1683, m. Hon. Penelope Paget, dau. of Wm. 5th Lord Paget, sat for Bewdley 1673-7 when uns, 1679-81, Stafford 1689-90, 1695-1700, Droitwich 1690-5, and Feb. to Nov. 1701, and d. 7 Dec. 1735.

1679. Aug. 22. Philip Foley.

1681. Feb. 14. The same.

1685. May 12. Sir Charles Littleton Knt.

Of Frankley, younger son of Sir Thomas L., 1st Bart. (see Co. 1620), b. 1629, was a subaltern in the Royal forces at the defence of Colchester June to Aug. 1648, sent prisoner to the Tower by Cromwell,

then escaped to France, and was made Cupbearer to Charles II. in exile 25 Oct. 1650, and was given a company of horse. He returned to England in 1659, and took part in Sir George Booth's rising, but surrendered at Chirk Castle, co. Denbigh, was carried to London and committed to the Gatehouse, but was soon released. He was employed on various secret missions between the King and his friends in preparation for the Restoration in 1660, and received a free gift of ± 500 from the King Dec. 1661, was knighted 1662, app. Lt.-Gov. of Jamaica under Lord Windsor 1662, arrived there 11 Aug., and succ. his Lordship as Governor, till 7 May 1664, when he sailed for England. Sir Charles was made Major (and Capt. of a company) in the Lord High Admiral's regt. 5 Nov. 1664, Lieut.-Col. (and Capt. of a company) thereof 18 July 1665, Colonel of that regt. 15 Feb. 1668, Gov. of Harwich and Landguard Fort in 1667-72, Gov. of Sheerness 31 Jan. 1680, commission renewed as such 13 Feb. 1685, Col. (and Capt. of a company) of the Duke of York and Albany's Maritime regt. of Foot Oct. 1684, (reduced in the spring of 1689), Col. of Prince George of Denmark's regt of Foot 11 Feb. 1685, which was disbanded 28 Feb. 1689. (Dalton's Army Lists). Warrant to pay to Charles Littleton, Cup Bearer to the King, £500 as a free gift 13 Dec. 1661. (Cal. State Papers). He m. (1) Catherine (who d. in Jamaica about 1663) dau. of Sir Wm. Fairfax, of Seton, Yorks, and (2) Anne dau. and co-heir of Thomas Temple, of Frankton, co. Warwick, sat for Bewdley 1685-7, succ. his brother Sir Henry as 3rd Bart. 1693, was Lord of the Manor of Hagley, presented to Halesowen 8 Aug. 1696, and to Hagley 5 May 1702, 17 April 1706, and d. at Hagley 2 May 1716, aged 87, and was bur. at Areley. (M.I).

1689. Jan. 11. Henry Herbert. W.

1690. Mar. 3. The same.

1694. Nov. 19. Salwey Winnington. T.

vice Sir Henry Herbert Knt., called to the Upper House. Salwey Winnington, of Stanford Court, eldest son of Sir Francis W. (see Worcester 1679), m. 1690 Anne 2nd dau. of Thomas Foley (see Co. 1659), sat for Bewdley 1694-1708, and 1710-15, failed and petitioned 1708, 1715, was a Commr. for stating the Public Accounts in March 1713, presented to the Herefordshire livings of Wolfrelow 1705, 1727, and Sapey 1725, 1727, and to Stanford 4 Oct. 1718, and d. 6 Nov. 1736. (M.I. Stanford). He built a stone tower to Bewdley Chapel about 1696.

1695. Oct. 25. The same re-el. 29 July 1698, 13 Jan. 1701, 25 Nov. 1701, 21 Aug. 1702.

1705. May 11. Salwey Winnington. T. 12.

Hon. Henry Herbert. W. 11.

— Soley. 2.

Mr. Herbert unsucc. pet. John Soley was Recorder of Bewdley 1688 to 1710.

1708. May 13. Hon. Henry Herbert. W. — Salwey Winnington. T. —

The latter unsuccessfully petitioned. Hon. Henry Herbert was the only son of the M.P. 1677, b. 1660, educ. at Westminster, adm. an Hon. Freeman of Worcester 1705, unsucc. cont. and pet. at Bewdley 1705, but rep. it 1708 till he succ. his father as 2nd Lord Herbert of Chirbury 22 Jan. 1709, m. 12 Dec. 1709 Mary dau. of John Wallop, of Farley, Hants, and sister to John 1st Earl of Portsmouth, presented to Dowles 16 Dec. 1710, 1728, and to Ribbesford 20 April 1725, 10 March 1730, was chosen Steward of Bewdley 1709, and Recorder thereof 1720, and held both offices till his death s.p. suddenly (it is said by his own hand), at Ribbesford 19 April 1738, when the title again expired. "Lord Herbert committed suicide by hanging in one of the turrets of Ribbesford House. It is said that his valet came into the room while Lord Herbert was still living, but not daring to thwart so great a man, he ran off to Bewdley to ask the Bailiff what was to be done." (Burton's Kidderminster).

1709. March 2. Charles Cornwall. T.

vice Herbert called to the Upper House. This gallant sailor was the son of Robert Cornewall M.P., of Berrington, co. Hereford, (see Williams' Herefordshire Members), and was baptized 9 Aug. 1669, and married twice, his 2nd wife being Dorothy dau. of Job Hanmer of Hanmer, co. Flint. Entering the Royal Navy 1683, he was app. to command the "Portsmouth" sloop 19 Sept. 1692, and the "Adventure" of 44 guns 1693, in which he served under Admiral Russell in the Mediterranean till 1696. He saw much service under Sir Cloudesly Shovel in the Mediterranean 1705-7, was Commodore of a detached squadron off the coast of Norfolk 1707, and commanded in the Downs and off Dunkirk Dec. 1709. He was a Commr. of the Navy and Comptroller of the Storekeeper's Accounts (£500 a year) Nov. 1714-16, made Rear Admiral 16 June 1716, Vice Admiral March 1717, and was app. Commander in Chief in the Mediterranean Oct. 1716. Admiral Cornewall gave f 10 toward re-building Leominster Parish Church 1718. He sat for Bewdley March 1709-10, and was defeated and pet. at Weobley 1701, but rep. that place 1715, till his death at Lisbon 7 Nov. 1718, aged 48, on his way home from the Mediterranean, and was bur. in Westminster Abbey 27 Nov. Will dated 22 Dec. 1716, proved in Canterbury Prerogative Court 26 Jan. 1719.

1710. Oct. 11. Salwey Winnington. T. —
Anthony Lechmere. W. —

This was a Double Return, but on Mr. Winnington's petition, the House resolved 20 Dec. 1710 "that the Charter of 1708 is void, and that Mr. Winnington is duly elected, and that Mr. Lechmere's name be erased from the Return."

Anthony Lechmere, elder son of Edmund L., of Hanley Castle, was b. 1675, and called to the bar at the Middle Temple 1700. He m. Anne dau. of Thomas Foley M.P., of Stoke Edith, co. Hereford, (see Williams' Herefordshire Members), was adm. an Hon. Freeman of Worcester 1719, sat for Bewdley Oct. to Dec. 1710 when uns., and for Tewkesbury 1715 till app. Joint Receiver General of the Customs June 1717, and held that office till his death 5 Feb. 1720. His brother Nicholas was Attorney General 1718-20, and created Lord Lechmere 1721, (see Williams' Gloucestershire Members).

1713. Sept. 1. Salwey Winnington.

1715. Jan. 28. Grey James Grove. W. — Salwey Winnington. T. —

The latter unsucc. pet. Mr. Grey was of Pool Hall, co. Stafford, the son of James Grove, Serjeant at law (who d. 18 July 1734, by Anne youngest sister and co-heir of Thomas 2nd Earl of Stamford). He was a Commr. for stating the Debts due to the Army in 1715, H.S. Salop Jan. 1731, M.P. Bewdley 1715-22, and Bridgnorth 1734-41. In his father's issue, by the heiress of Grey, centred the co-heirship to the Barony of Fitzwarine and several other Peerages. His male line failed in 1775, (? with the M.P.'s son), and his female heirs about 1857.

1722. March 27. William Crew Offley. W.

Of Wichnor, co. Stafford, M.P. Bewdley 1722-34, voted for the Excise Bill 1733, was a Gentleman of the Privy Chamber in 1716 (? app. 1714), and until his death 28 June 1739, and also Deputy Ranger of Needwood Forest till 1739. He was younger son of John Offley of Madeley, co. Stafford, by Anne, eldest dau. and eventually sole heir of John, son of Sir Clippesby Crewe of Crewe Hall, Cheshire. His elder brother John took the surname of Crewe by Act of Parl. 1704 on inheriting the Crewe estates, and his elder son John was created Lord Crewe 1806.

1727. Aug. 21. The same.

1734. April 30. William Bowles. W.

Of Burford, Salop, son of Major Gen. Phineas Bowles (who was Col. 12th Light Dragoons 1715-19, and of the 8th R. Irish Light Dragoons 23 March 1719 till his death Nov. 1722). He m. (1) 29 Jan.

1736 Mrs. Cook, a widow (and ? 2ndly 17 Aug. 1740 Miss Crookenden with £5,000), was a Director of the South Sea Company, gave £1,300 in 1745 towards building the new Bewdley Chapel which cost £2,200, was one of the famous Committee of Secresy of the House of Commons chosen by ballot 26 March 1742 to inquire into the conduct of the Earl of Oxford's ministry since 1732, sat for Bridport 1727-41, and for Bewdley 1741 till his death 14 May 1748, being also chosen for Bewdley 1734, and for Bridport 1741. He was Recorder of Bewdley 1738-45, and Steward thereof 1738-48.

1735. Feb. 20. Col. Phineas Bowles. W.

vice his brother William Bowles, who elected to serve for Bridport. Son of Major General Phineas Bowles, and following like him the profession of arms, served long in the 3rd Foot Guards of which he became Captain of a company with the rank of Lt.-Col. in the army 1712. He made the campaign of 1710-11 under the Duke of Marlborough, and was employed in Scotland during Mar's rebellion, 1715 (? served in the 7th Horse), and being Lt.-Col. 12th Dragoons succ. his father as Colonel of that regt. 23 May 1719, and commanded it in Ireland till Dec. 1740. made Brigadier General 2 Dec. 1735, placed as Brigadier on the Irish Establishment July 1737, Major Genl. 29 July 1739, Lt. Genl. 27 May 1745, was M.P. Bewdley 1735-41, voted for the Convention 1739, Gov. of Limerick Sept. 1739, Gov. of Londonderry and Culmore Fort (? 1744) to 1746 or 1749, and Col. of the King's Carabineers (6th Dragoon Guards late 7th Horse), 20 Dec. 1740 till his death (not on 12 Dec. 1746, as stated in Gent. Mag., but) in Oct. 1749. "5 March 1744, Genl. Bowles' Regiment of Horse landed at Park-gate from Dublin; they had so bad a passage in the late storm, that upwards of 50 of the horses died." (Gent. Mag.)

1741. May 13. William Bowles.

1747. June 30. The same.

1748. Dec. 9. William Henry Lyttelton. T.

vice Bowles dec. Of Hagley, 6th son of Sir Thomas Lyttelton 4th Bart. (see Co. 1721), b. 24 Dec. 1724, educ. at Eton, matric. St. Mary Hall, Oxon. 22 June 1742, created D.C.L. 23 Nov. 1781, bar. at law Inner Temple 1748, m. (1) 2 June 1761 Mary (who d. 28 May 1765) dau. and co-heir of James Macartney of Longford, and (2) 13 Feb. 1774 Caroline dau. of John Bristow of Quiddenham, Norfolk. He was Deputy Cofferer of the Household 1754-5, Gov. of S. Carolina Jan. 1755-9, Gov. of Jamaica Nov. 1759-66, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to Portugal Oct. 1766 to June 1771, a Lord of the Treasury June 1777, to March 1782, M.P. Bewdley 1748-55, and 1774-90. He succ. his nephew Thomas 2nd Lord Lyttelton (see 1768) as 7th Bart. 27 Nov.

1779, and was created Lord Westcote in the Peerage of Ireland 21 July 1776, and Lord Lyttelton of G.B. 13 Aug. 1794. His Lordship was High Steward of Bewdley from 1779 and Recorder thereof from 1780 till his death 14 Sept. 1808. He advanced £250 towards rebuilding Bewdley Bridge 1801, and was a friend of Dr. Samuel Johnson.

1754. April 18. The same.

1755. Feb. 5. Rt. Hon. William Finch.

vice Lyttelton app. Gov. of S. Carolina. Second son of Daniel 2nd Earl of Nottingham and (6th Earl of) Winchilsea, m. (1) 25 Jan. 1733 Lady Anne Douglas "with a fortune of £15,000" (who d. s.p. 26 Oct. 1741), sister of Charles Duke of Queensberry and Dover, and (2) 26 Aug. 1746 Lady Charlotte Fermor (who was governess to George III.'s children), 2nd dau. of Thomas 1st Earl of Pomfret. He was M.P. Cockermouth Jan. 1727-47, and Dec. 1747-54, Bewdley 1755-61, a Groom of the Bedchamber 172 - to July 1727, Envoy Extraordinary to Sweden March 1720-4, and to the States General of Holland July 1724 to April 1728, Ambassador at the Hague March 1731-2, Envoy to Spain Aug. 1732 to Feb. 1734, Minister Plenipotentiary to the States of Holland Dec. 1732, Ambassador Extraordinary to Madrid April 1738, P.C. 13 July 1742, Vice-Chamberlain of the King's Household July 1742 to July 1765, and d. 25 Dec. 1766. His only son George became 8th Earl of Winchilsea 1769.

1761. March 30. Sir Edward Winnington Bart. W.

Of Stanford Court, son of Edward W., of Wantage, Berks, (grandson of Sir Francis W., see Worcester 1679), matric. Trin. Coll. Oxon, 15 May 1746, aged 18, and m. Mary dau. of John Ingram, of Ticknell, Bewdley. He was made a Bart. 15 Feb. 1755, M.P. Bewdley 1761-8, when defeated, but seated on petition 1769 and sat till 1774, held office as Storekeeper of the Ordnance Dec. 1762-5, and as Secretary to the Chancellor of the Exchequer, (William Dowdeswell, see Co. 1761), July 1765 to Aug. 1766, presented to the Herefordshire livings of Wolfrelow and Sapey 1769, and to Stanford, and Clifton, co. Worc. 31 Aug. 1771, and d. 9 Dec. 1791.

1762. Dec. 27. The same, re-el. on taking office.

1768. Mar. 21. Hon Thomas Lyttelton. T. 24. Sir E. Winnington. W. 21.

On petition the Return was amended by order of the House 25 Jan. 1769, by erasing Mr. Lyttelton's name and substituting that of Sir E. Winnington.

Hon. Thomas Lyttelton was only son of George 1st Lord Lyttelton (see Co. 1741), whom he succ. as 2nd Lord 25 Aug. 1773, b.

at Hagley 30 Jan. 1744, matric. Ch. Ch. Oxon. 7 Nov. 1761, m. 26 June 1772 Apphia 2nd dau. of Broome Wilts, of Chipping Norton, Oxon., and relict of Joseph Peach, Gov. of Calcutta, was M.P. Bewdley 1768 till uns. Jan. 1769, and High Steward of Bewdley 1773 till his death s.p. 27 Nov. 1779, when the title expired. He was called "the wicked Lord Lyttelton."

1774. Oct. 14. W. H. Lyttelton. T.

1777. June 18. W. H. (Lyttelton now) Lord Westcote, re-el. on being made a Lord of the Treasury.

1780. Sept. 15. Lord Westcote, re-el. 5 April 1784.

1790. June 21. Hon. George Fulke Lyttelton. T.

Of Hagley, elder son of the M.P. 1754, b. in Jamaica 27 Oct. 1763, matric. Ball. Coll. Oxon. 24 April 1781, sat for Bewdley 1790-6, and for Granard (in the last Irish Parliament) 1798-1800, succ. his father as 2nd Lord Lyttelton 14 Sept. 1808, and was High Steward of Bewdley from 1808 till his death unm. 12 Nov. 1828.

1796. May 30. Miles Peter Andrews. T.

Of Gower Street, London, 2nd son of a respectable London merchant, b. 1742, and was educ. in Holland with a view of being sent in a commercial capacity to the Levant, but on returning to England, and succeeding his elder brother in his share of the great Gunpowder Mills at Dartford, he became possessed of an ample fortune, and turned his thoughts towards the drama. He composed a number of prologues and epilogues, and brought out The Election, a musical interlude, Belphegor, and several other popular pieces on the stage. He was a partner in Pigou, Andrews, and Wilkes, Lt.-Col. Cdt. St. Martin's (or Prince of Wales') Volunteers in 1806, a director of the Globe Insurance Co. in 1813, and sat for Bewdley 1796 till his death in Cleveland Row 18 July 1814, aged 72, leaving property worth £100,000. In 1801 he gave £3000 towards building Bewdley Bridge, which cost £11,000. According to the extraordinary custom in the Borough at the time, whereby the Member openly paid for his seat, Mr. Andrews presented £1000 to Bewdley in 1807, and £2000 in 1808. (Corporation Accounts). His friend Thomas 2nd Lord Lyttelton (see 1768) left him £2000.

1802. July 8. The same, re-el. 3 Nov. 1806, 8 May 1807, 9 Oct. 1812.

1814. Aug. 3. Charles Edward Wilsonn. T.

vice Andrews dec. Mr. Wilsonn was of Bognor, Sussex, and sat for Bewdley 1814-18. He was app. Receiver General of the Commutation Tax on wheels and carriages March 1785, and held that post in 1800,

but res. it before 1813. He was chosen a director of the Globe Insurance Co. 1814, and died before 1830. His widow d. July 1835, aged 80.

1818. June 19. Wilson Aylesbury Robarts. T.

Of Bewdley, younger but only surviving son of Wilson Aylesbury R. of that place, b. (?1760 or 23 June 1761), matric. Ch. Ch. Oxon 13 Feb. 1778, aged 17, was J.P. co. Warwick, Bailiff of Bewdley 1809, 1812, 1815, M.P. 1818-32, J.P. and D.L. co. Worc., H.S. 1837, and d.s.p. at Bewdley 28 Nov. 1853, aged 93, bur. at Dowles 6 Dec. His brother Rev. Thomas Aylesbury Robarts died Vicar of Hagley in 1803, aged 27.

1820. March 10. The same, re-el. 12 June 1826, 2 Aug. 1830, 2 May 1831.

1832. Dec. 12. Sir Thomas Edward Winnington Bart. W. See the County 1820.

1835. Jan. 5. The same.

1837. July 24. Thomas Edward Winnington. W.

Of Stanford Court, eldest son of the last Member Sir T. E. Winnington (see Co. 1820), whom he succ. as 4th Bart. 22 Sept. 1839, b. at Moseley Hall 11 Nov. 1811, educ. at Eton, matric. Ch. Ch. Oxon 27 May 1830, B.A. 1833, and m. 21 June 1842 Anne Helena, eldest dau. of Sir Compton Domvile 1st Bart., of Templeogue and Santry House, co. Dublin. He was M.P. Bewdley 1837-47 when defeated, and 1852-68, H.S. co. Worc. 1851, Dep. Lieut., patron of 4 livings, and d. 13 June 1872.

1841. June 30. Sir T. E. Winnington. W. 173.

R. Monteith. T. 168.

1847. July 30. Thomas James Ireland T. 160. Sir T. E. Winnington W. 158.

On petition Mr. Ireland was unseated 1848. He was of Owsden Hall, Newmarket, Suffolk, only son of Thomas Ireland, b. 1792, B.A. Emmanuel Coll. Camb. 1814, M.A. 1817, m. 17 Feb. 1829 Elizabeth, yst. dau. of Sir Wm. Earle Welby 2nd Bt. M.P., of Denton Hall, Grantham, was J.P. and D.L. Suffolk, M.P. Bewdley 1847-8 when uns., and d. in London 2 July 1863, aged 71.

1848. April 18. Viscount Mandeville. C. 171.

Hon. S. Lyttelton. L. 156.

vice Ireland whose election was declared void. Hon. Spencer Lyttelton was b. 18 June 1818, 2nd son of W. H. 3rd Lord Lyttelton (see Co.

1806), and m. 10 Aug. 1848 Henrietta, dau. and co-heir of Fred. Hamilton Cornewall, of Delbury Hall, Salop. He was 7 years in the Royal Navy, then Lieut Scots Fusilier Guards 1839-41, attached to the Legation at St. Petersburgh for a short time in 1847, Marshal of the Ceremonies to the Queen 1847-77, app. D.L. co. Worc., and d. 4 Feb. 1889.

William Drogo Montagu, commonly called Viscount Mandeville. of Kimbolton Castle, co. Hunts, eldest son of George 6th Duke of Manchester, was b. 15 Oct. 1823, educ. at R. Mil. Coll. Sandhurst, became Ensign 11th Foot 3 Dec. 1841, Ensign and Lieut. 1st Grenadier Guards 21 Jan. 1842, Lieut. and Capt. 1 Dec. 1846, retired 1850, was Aide-de camp to Sir Peregrine Maitland, Gov. of Cape Colony, 1843-6, a Lord of the Bedchamber to Prince Albert March to Dec. 1852, D.L. Hunts 28 Feb. 1851, Major Huntingdon Militia 17 Aug. 1852 to 4 Feb. 1880, (Hon. Lieut.-Col. 7 Dec. 1870), Major Hunts Light Horse Volunteers 1861, Lt.-Col. thereof 8 June 1865-81, Hon. Col. 1 July 1881. J.P. Hunts and co. Armagh, unsucc. cont. Westminster 1847, M.P. Bewdley 1848 to May 1852, when he res. and was elected for co. Huntingdon, which he rep. till he succ. his father as 7th Duke of Manchester 18 Aug. 1855. His Grace m. 22 July 1852 Countess Louise Fredericke Auguste, 2nd dau. of Charles Francis Victor, Count Von Alten, of Hanover. (She was Mistress of the Robes to the Queen 1858-9). He was patron of 9 livings, author of "Court and Society from Elizabeth to Anne," created LL.D. Camb. 3 June 1864, K.P. 3 March 1877, and d. 21 March 1890.

In May 1852 Lord Mandeville accepted the Chiltern Hundreds, but no writ was issued as Parl. was dissolved 1 July following.

1852. July 7. Sir T. E. Winnington. L. 169. Joseph Sandars. C. 151.

1857. Mar. 27. Sir T. E. Winnington, re-el. 29 April 1859, 11 July 1865.

1868. Nov. 17. Sir R. A. Glass. C. 518. *Thomas Lloyd.* L. 418.

On petition this election was declared void Feb. 1869. Mr. Lloyd resided at The Priory, Warwick. Sir Richard Atwood Glass Knt., of Ashurst, Dorking, Surrey, son of Francis G., was b. at Bradford 1820, educ. at King's Coll. London, and m. 1854 Anne dau. of Thomas Tanner, of Amesbury. He was largely engaged in wire-rope making, and supplied half the first Atlantic cable and the whole of that employed in 1866, and was Knighted for these services. He was M.P. Bewdley 1868-9 when uns., Chairman of the Anglo-American Telegraph Co., and d. 22 Dec. 1873.

1869. March 11. J. C. P. Cunliffe. C. 477. *Hon. A. Anson. L. 463*.

On petition and scrutiny the seat was awarded to Major Anson 30 April 1869. James Cunliffe Pickersgill-Cunliffe of Hooley, Coulsdon, Surrey, 2nd son of John Pickersgill of Netherne House, Surrey, was b. 28 March 1819, m. 30 Jan. 1849 Helen Hutton 2nd dau. of Very Rev. Thomas Dale, Dean of Rochester, sat for Bewdley March to April 1869, when uns. and d. 6 Oct. 1873, in Guy's Hospital, from the effects of a railway accident at Caterham 22 Sept.

Hon. Augustus Henry Archibald Anson V.C. was b. 5 March 1835, 3rd son of Thomas 1st Earl of Lichfield, and m. 1 Dec. 1863 Amelia Maria eldest dau. of Rt. Rev. Thomas Legh Claughton, Bishop of Rochester 1867-77, and of St. Albans 1877-90. He became 2nd Lieut. Rifle Brigade May 1853, Lieut. Dec. 1854, Capt. July 1855, exchanged to 84th foot 1856, then to 10th Dragoons, and to 7th Dragoons 1858, made brevet Major in the army unattached May 1859, and retired on half-pay Feb. 1861. He served at the siege of Sebastopol 1855 (medal, clasp, and 5th class order of the Mediidie), and in the Indian Mutiny 1857-8 as A.D.C. to Gen. Grant, and was present at the siege and capture of Delhi, where he was wounded, at the action at Bolundshuhur, the second relief of Lucknow, and the assault of the Secundra Bagh, where he was again wounded, at the assault and capture of Lucknow, and the affairs at Koorsee and Barree. He was thanked by the Gov.-Gen. of India in Council, and repeatedly mentioned in despatches, and received that coveted distinction, the Victoria Cross, for conspicuous bravery at Lucknow and elsewhere. He was A.D.C. to Gen. Sir Hope Grant in the expedition to China 1860, was present at the capture of Pekin, and was sent home with dispatches. He sat for Lichfield 1859-68, when defeated, unsucc. cont. Bewdley March but was seated on a scrutiny April 1869, and sat till 1874. He d. at Cannes 17 Nov. 1877. His widow re-m. in 1881 to George 8th Duke of Argyll K.T.

1874. Feb. 2. Charles Harrison. L. 504.

Stanley Leighton. C. 405.

George Griffith. L. 1.

The defeated candidate Stanley Leighton F.S.A., of Sweeney Hall, Oswestry, younger son of Sir Baldwin Leighton 7th Bart. M.P. of Loton Park, Salop, was b. 13 Oct. 1837, educ. at Harrow, matric. Ball. Coll. Oxon. 21 March 1855, B.A. and M.A. 1864, ent. Inner Temple 24 Jan. 1859, and was called to the bar 18 Nov. 1861, and went the Oxford circuit. He m. 28 Aug. 1873 Jessie Marie dau. of Herbert Bertie Watkin Williams-Wynn of Nant-y-Meiched, co. Montgomery, and

Howberry Park, Oxon., was app. J.P. 1869, and D.L. Salop, J.P. co. Montgomery, Capt. 15th (Oswestry company) Shropshire Rifle Vol. 25 Nov. 1871, till he res. about 1880, was Hon. Commr. for S. Australia at the Paris Exhibition 1888, and is author of "Records of Oswestry," and other works. He sat for N. Salop Feb. 1876-85, and has rep. W. Salop (or the Oswestry div.) since 1885.

Charles Harrison, of Areley Court, yst. son of Benj. H., of Liverpool, who d. 1834, by Hannah dau. of Wm. King of Stourbridge, was b. 29 Jan. 1830, educ. privately, m. 24 June 1858 Elizabeth Augusta dau. of Samuel Kempson, of Summer Hill, Birmingham, was app. J.P. co. Worc. 1866, Capt. 1st Worcestershire R. Vol. till 1872, sat for Bewdley 1874 till uns. June 1880, and d. 11 May 1888, aged 58.

1880. April. Charles Harrison L. 598. R. E. Webster Q. C. C. 530.

On petition this election was declared void. The defeated candidate Richard Everard Webster was b. 22 Dec. 1842, son of Thomas Webster Q.C., educ at King's Coll. School, London, and at the Charterhouse, B.A. (scholar, 35th Wrangler) Trin. Coll. Camb., 1865, M.A. 1868, Hon. LL.D. 1892, ent. Lincoln's Inn 22 April 1865, where he was called to the bar 30 April 1868, went the South Eastern Circuit, was "Tubman" of the Court of Exchequer 1872-4, and "Postman" 1874-8, Q.C. April 1878, Bencher 2 Nov. 1881. He m. 18 Aug. 1872 Louisa Mary (who d. 1877) only dau. of Wm. Charles Calthrop, of Withern, Alford, co. Lincoln, is a Gov. of the Charterhouse, was Knighted 1885, Attorney General June 1885 to Jan. 1886, July 1886 to Aug. 1892, and from July 1895, M.P. Launceston I July to 18 Nov. 1885, and for the Isle of Wight since 27 Nov. 1885.

1880. July 12. Enoch Baldwin. L. 611. W. N. Marcy. C. 491.

vice Harrison uns. The defeated candidate Wm. Nichols Marcy was adm. a Solicitor 1834, and practised at Bewdley, of which Borough he was Town Clerk 1833-73, Mayor 1873, 1874, 1878, 1881, and app. Dep. Recorder 1873. He was Lord of the Manor of Bewdley, and Clerk of the Peace for co. Worc.

Enoch Baldwin, of The Mount, Stourport, 2nd son of Enoch B. of Stourport, ironfounder, was born there 5 Aug. 1822, m. (1) 27 Feb. 1849 Elizabeth Langford (who d. 24 June 1875), dau. of Henry Tildesley, of Willenhall, co. Stafford, and (2) 19 July 1876 Emily Lydia 2nd dau. of Rev. George Frederick Driver, Wesleyan Minister, Stourport,

and has issue, Enoch Theodore Baldwin born 28 Dec. 1877, Mary Margaret born 23 Sept. 1879, and Frederick Langford born 28 Dec. 1884. Mr. Baldwin, who became in 1839 a member of the firm of Baldwin, Son, & Co., ironfounders, Stourport, was the last Member for Bewdley 1880-5. He was made J.P. co. Worc. 1885, and has been County Councillor for the Stourport Division since March 1889. He is a first cousin to Mr. Alfred Baldwin M.P. (see W. Worcestershire 1892).

MEMBERS FOR BROMSGROVE.

Whether the Boroughs of Bromsgrove and Pershore ever returned Members to Parliament except in 1295, is uncertain, and probably will never now be known. The chances however seem to be against their having done so, and at all events, if there were any other Returns, they may be considered as hopelessly lost. Dudley and Kidderminster however were again enfranchised in 1832. Bromsgrove chose in

1295. Thomas Rastel.
Thomas de Burneford.

MEMBERS FOR PERSHORE.

1295. William de Sennecourt. Henry de la Buyhte.

Nothing is known of these Members, except their names.

MEMBERS FOR DUDLEY.

1295. Benedict Andreu. Ralph Clerk of Duddelegh.

Dudley was one of the Boroughs to which the celebrated Reform Act 1832 granted the privilege of returning one Member. The registered electors were 670 in 1832, 884 in 1858, 11847 in 1868, 14838 in 1874, 14401 in 1884, 15303 in 1892, and 14831 in 1895. The Mayor is the Returning Officer. Lord Dudley and Ward formerly exercised great influence in the Borough.

1832. Dec. 11. Sir John Campbell. W. 318. Sir H. St. Paul. T. 229.

Sir John Campbell was the younger son of Rev. George Campbell D.D., minister at Cupar, N.B., and was b. 15 Sept. 1779, grad. M.A. Edinburgh Univ., and m. 8 Sept. 1821 Hon. Mary Elizabeth Scarlett, eldest dau. of James 1st Lord Abinger, Lord Chief Baron of the Exchequer 1834-44. She was created Baroness Stratheden in her own right 22 Jan. 1836, and d. 25 March 1860. Sir John ent. Lincoln's Inn Nov. 1800, and was called to the bar 15 Nov. 1806, invited to the Bench of that Society 15 and sat as a Bencher 26 June 1827, and was chosen Treasurer thereof 1835. He became K.C. Easter Vacation 1827, was Knighted Nov. 1832, Solicitor General Nov. 1832-4, Attorney General Feb. to Nov. 1834, and April 1835-41, Lord Chancellor of Ireland June to Sept. 1841, P.C. England and Ireland June 1841, M.P. Stafford 1830-2, (defeated there 1826), Dudley 1832 to Feb. 1834, (when defeated on seeking re-election on being made Attorney General), and Edinburgh June 1834 till created Lord Campbell 30 June 1841. His Lordship was Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster July 1846-50, Lord Chief Justice of England (£8000 a year) March 1850.9, and Lord High Chancellor of England (£10000 a year) June 1859 until his death 23 June 1861, aged 81. Lord Campbell wrote the "Lives of the Lord Chancellors and Lord Chief Justices of England."

1834. Feb. 28. Thomas Hawkes. T. 322.

Sir John Campbell. W. 254.

vice Campbell app. Attorney General. Thomas Hawkes, of Himley, co. Stafford, was b. 1778, and m. 1814 Alice Hannah dau. and heir of John Blackburne, of Garston. Lancashire, and Hawford Lodge, co. Worc., (Mayor of Liverpool 1788). Like his ancestors Mr. Hawkes was extensively engaged in mercantile and mineral pursuits in cos. Worcester and Lancaster. He was J.P. cos. Worc. and Stafford, H.S. co. Worc. 1810, sometime Capt. of the Himley troop of Staffordshire Yeomanry, and having unsucc. cont. Stafford 1830, 1831, sat for Dudley 1834-44 when he resigned. He d. at Brighton 3 Dec. 1858, aged 80. His 3rd dau. Eleanor Louisa m. 17 Dec. 1843 the Hon. Humble Dudley Ward, and son of the 1st Earl of Dudley.

1835. Jan. 7. Thomas Hawkes. T. 360.

Capt. J. Forbes. W. 279.

Capt. J. Forbes also unsucc. cont. Preston 1832.

1837. Aug. 25. Thomas Hawkes. T. 385.

Merryweather Turner. W. 289.

Mr. Turner also unsucc. cont. Poole and Stroud in 1847, and Newark in 1852.

1841. July 2. Thomas Hawkes. T. 436. Wm. Adams Smith. W. 189.

The Tory Colours were, Blue and Yellow. The Whig Colours—Red, Blue, and White.

1844. Aug. 8. John Benbow. L.C. 388. William Rawson. R. 175.

vice Hawkes res. Mr. Benbow was b. 1768, and was in 1805 a Solicitor practising in Lincoln's Inn, but afterwards retired. He was Solicitor, Trustee, and Auditor for Lord Dudley and Ward, and a director of the North Western Ry., and the Shrewsbury and Birmingham Ry. He unsucc. cont. Wolverhampton 1837, but sat for Dudley (through Lord Dudley and Ward's influence) 1844 till his death at Hastings 24 Feb. 1855, aged 86. His wife Elizabeth d. 19 Nov. 1825.

1847. July 28. John Benbow. P.

1852. July 8. John Benbow. C. 400. Ald. J. Baldwin. L. 231.

Ald. James Baldwin, the son of a Warwickshire farmer, was b. 1800, Mayor of Birmingham 1853-4, and d. 1871.

1855. March 8. Sir S. Northcote. L.C. 346. *Ald. J. Baldwin. L.* 3.

Sir Stafford Henry Northcote of Pynes, Exeter, was the eldest son of Henry Stafford Northcote M.P. who d.v.p. 22 Feb. 1830, and was b. in Portland Place, London, 27 Oct. 1818, and educ. at Eton. He matric. Ball. Coll. Oxon. 3 March 1836, held a scholarship there 1836-42, B.A. 1st class in classics, 3rd class in mathematics 1839, M.A. 1842, created D.C.L. 17 June 1863, and having ent. the Inner Temple 7 Jan. 1840, was called to the bar 19 Nov. 1847. He was Private Secretary to Mr. Gladstone when Vice-Pres. of the Board of Trade June 1842-5, Legal Secretary to the Board of Trade Feb. 1845 to Aug. 1850, Joint Sec. to the Great Exhibition Jan. 1850 to Oct. 1851, and succ. his grandfather Sir Stafford Henry as 8th Bart. 18 March 1851. He became Capt. 1st Devon Yeomanry Cavalry 1851, J.P. Devon 1850, D.L. 1854, and was M.P. Dudley 1855-7, unsucc. cont. N. Devon 1857, but sat for Stamford July 1858-66 when he res in order to stand for N. Devon, which he rep. till created Earl of Iddesleigh 3 July 1885. He was Financial Sec. to the Treasury Jan. to June 1859, P.C. July 1866, Pres. of the Board of Trade with a seat in the Cabinet July 1866-7, Secretary of State for India March 1867 to Dec. 1868, a member of the Joint High Commission at Washington to arrange the Alabama Treaty Feb. to May 1871, Chancellor of the Exchequer Feb. 1874 to April 1880, Leader of the Conservative Party in the House of Commons Aug. 1876 to June 1885, First Lord of the Treasury June 1885 to Feb. 1886. Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs Aug. 1886 to Jan. 1887, a member of the Council on Education Feb. 1874, an Elder Brother of the Trinity House 1867, C.B. Oct. 1851, G.C.B. 20 April 1880, Lord Rector of Edinburgh Univ. 1883, an Ecclesiastical Commr. Aug. 1886 to Jan. 1887, Lord-Lieut. of Devon 1886-7, Gov. of Hudson's Bay Co., and patron of 4 livings. His Lordship m. 5 Aug. 1843 Cecilia Frances (C.I.) dau. of Thomas Farrer of Lincoln's Inn, and died suddenly at the Foreign Office, Whitehall, 12 Jan. 1887, a few days after resigning office.

1857. March 27. Henry Brinsley Sheridan.

Of Oaklands, St. Peter's, Isle of Thanet, eldest son of Garrett S. of Cavan, b. in London 1820, educ. at Brighton, ent. Inner Temple 18 Feb. 1852, where called to the bar 17 Nov. 1853, and was in 1858 Secretary and Manager of the Times Assurance Co. He m. 1850

Elizabeth Frances dau. of Rev. J. Wood, was Capt. 1st Cinque Ports Art. Vol. 1861-5, J.P. Middlesex, Westminster, and Cinque Ports, Knt. of St. John of Jerusalem, F.R.G.S., and author of "St. Laurence Well," and other poems. He sat for Dudley 1857-86, when he was defeated.

1859. April 29. H. B. Sheridan. L. 432. Viscount Monck. C. 361.

Viscount Monck sat for Portsmouth 1852-7, when defeated, and was a Lord of the Treasury March 1855-8, Gov.-Gen. of Canada 1861-8, and d. 1804.

1865. July 13. H. B. Sheridan. L. 526. F. W. Truscott. C. 275.

Ald. Sir Francis Wyatt Truscott Knt. Lord Mayor of London 1879-80, also unsucc. cont. Greenwich 1880. He d. 1895.

1868. Nov. 16. H. B. Sheridan.

1874. Feb. 7. H. B. Sheridan. L. 5149. Fred. Shenstone. LC. 4181.

This election was declared void. The defeated candidate Frederick Smith Shenstone of Sutton Hall, Sussex, younger son of Richard Smith of Priory, Dudley, was born 1824, educ. at Rugby, matric. St. John's Coll. Oxon. 6 Dec. 1842, aged 18, B.A. 1846, M.A. 1854, Fereday Fellow 1854-73. He ent. the Middle Temple 23 Jan. 1844, where he was called to the bar 11 June 1847, assumed the surname of Shenstone, and became J.P. co. Worcester, 1865, J.P. 1858, and D.L. co. Stafford, J.P. and D.L. Sussex, H.S. 1886. Mr. Shenstone m. 1873 Augusta Emma Grace, eldest dau. of Capt. Hambley Knapp, 5th Fusiliers. He became Lieut. Queen's own Worcestershire Yeomanry 7 Jan. 1880, and was Captain (Hon. Major) 1882-3.

1874.	May 21.	H. B. Sheridan. B. Hingley.	L. <i>C</i> .	560 7. 4889.
1880.	April.	H. B. Sheridan. Alfred Waterman.		6948. 4163.
1885.	Nov. 26.	H. B. Sheridan. Brooke Robinson.		6377. 5211.
1886.	July 6.	Brooke Robinson. H. B. Sheridan.	C. <i>G.L</i> .	6475. 4545.

'Brooke Robinson, of Barford House, co. Warwick, son of William R., of Dudley, solicitor, was b. 11 Sept. 1836, educ. at Rugby, and m. 10 March 1870 Eugenia Frederica Louisa (who d. 5 May 1891), only child of George Richard Collis, of Stourton Castle, Stourbridge. He was adm. an Attorney at Law and Solicitor in Chancery in Easter term 1857, and practised at Dudley until 1874, when he retired from business. He was Lieut. Worcestershire Yeomanry 20 July 1871-7, and having unsucc. cont. Dudley 1885, has rep. the Borough since 1886.

1892. July. Brooke Robinson. C. 6668. Hon. Howard Spensley. G.L. 5619.

Mr. Spensley was Solicitor General for Victoria 1871-2, and sat for Central Finsbury 1885-6.

1895. July 15. Brooke Robinson. C. 6536. C. J. Fleming Q.C. R. 5795.

Charles James Fleming was b. 1841, sometime in the Bombay Civil Service, bar. at law Grays Inn 1872, Bencher and Q.C. 1893, unsucc. cont. Pontefract 1886, M.P. Doncaster Division of Yorkshire 1892-5.



MEMBERS FOR KIDDERMINSTER.

1295. Walter Caldrigan. Walter Lihtfot.

The latter may have been related to John Lytfot M.P. for Hereford 1295. (See Williams' Herefordshire Members).

Kidderminster was again enfranchised by the Reform Act 1832, since when it has returned one Member. It had 390 electors on the register in 1832, 462 in 1841, 2465 in 1868, 3365 in 1874, 3915 in 1884, 4208 in 1821, and 4195 in 1895. The Mayor is the Returning Officer.

1832. Dec. 12. Richard Godson. W. 172. G. R. Philips. W. 159.

Richard Godson was 5th son of William G., one of the Worcestershire coroners, b. 19 June 1797, B.A. (26th Wrangler) Caius Coll. Camb. 1818, M.A. 1821, was called to the bar at Lincolns Inn 10 July 1821, and joined the Inner Temple 14 Nov. 1823. He m. at Lancaster 11 July 1825 Mary only dau. of James Hargreaves, of Springfield Hall, Lanc. Mr. Godson went the Oxford circuit, and was made Q.C. 6 July 1841, Bencher of Lincolns Inn 1841, Judge Advocate of the Fleet (and ?Counsel to the Admiralty and Navy) Jan. 1845-9, M.P. St. Albans 1831-2, and Kidderminster (where defeated 1835) 1832-4, and 1837 till his death at Springfield Hall 1 Aug. 1849, aged 52. He was author of treatises on the law of Patents and Copyrights.

1835. Jan. 8. G. R. Philips. W. 197. R. Godson. T. 124.

George Richard Philips, of Weston House, Chipping Norton, co. Warwick, only son of Sir George Philips M.P. of Sedgeley, Lancashire, and Weston, who was made a Bart. 21 Feb. 1828, was b. 23 Dec. 1789, educ. at Eton, B.A. Trin. Coll. Camb. 1812, M.A. 1816, and m. 18 Nov. 1819 Hon. Sarah Georgiana Cavendish eldest dau. of Richard 2nd Lord Waterpark. He was J.P. and D.L. co. Warwick, H.S. 1859, M.P. Steyning 1820-32, Kidderminster (where defeated 1832) 1835-7, Poole 1837-52, succ. his father as 2nd Bart. 3 Oct. 1847, and d. 22 Nov. 1883, when the title expired. His 3 daughters m. Adam 2nd Earl of Camperdown, Robert 2nd Lord Carew, and James 14th Earl of Caithness respectively.

1837. July 25. Richard Godson. T. 198.

John Bagshaw W. 157.

Mr. Bagshaw in 1832 was defeated at Sudbury where he was elected in a Double Return July 1834, but afterwards unseated. He again sat for Sudbury 1835-7, and for Harwich (where defeated 1841) 1847-52 and 1853-9. His Colours were Scarlet and White.

1841. June 30. Richard Godson. T. 212. Samson Ricardo. W. 200.

The Colours worn were Godson—Crimson and Blue, Ricardo—Purple and Yellow. Mr. Ricardo was defeated at Totnes 1847, but M.P. for Windsor Feb. 1855-7, where he was unsuccessful 1852 and 1857. He was an uncle to Osman Ricardo, (see Worcester 1847).

1847. July 28. Richard Godson. L.C.

1849. Sept. 5. John Best. P. 217. *Thomas Gisborne.* L. 200.

Mr. Gisborne was defeated at Carlow Feb. but gained the seat on petition July 1839, and sat till 1841. He was also M.P. North Derbyshire 1832-7, and Nottingham 1843-7, when defeated there, and was also unsuccessful at Newport (Isle of White) and S. Leicestershire 1841, and at Ipswich 1842.

John Best, 2nd son of W. B. Best of Blakebrook House, Kidderminster, was b. there 1821, educ. at Shrewsbury School, B.A. St. Peter's Coll. Camb. 1844, bar-at-law Inner Temple 20 Nov. 1846, went the Oxford circuit, and was one of the Counsel to the Palace Court April 1847 till its suppression. He m. 25 April 1848 Mary Smith eldest dau. of Wm. Trow of Ismere House, co. Worc., sat for Kidderminster Sept. 1849-52, when defeated, and d. at Llandudno, N. Wales, 18 June 1865, aged 44.

1852. July 7. Robert Lowe. L. 246. *John Best.* C. 152.

Robert Lowe of Sherbrooke, Caterham, Surrey, 2nd son of Rev. Robert Lowe, rector of Bingham, Notts, by Ellen 2nd dau. of Rev. Reginald Pynder, rector of Madresfield, was b. at Bingham 4 Dec. 1811, educ. at Winchester, matric. Univ. Coll. Oxon. 16 June 1829, B.A. 1st class in classics, 2nd class in mathematics, 1833, fellow of Magd. Coll. 1835-6, M.A. 1836, Hon. D.C.L. 22 June 1870, LL.D. Edinburgh 1867. He became well-known as a private tutor at Oxford. He ent. Lincolns Inn 1 May 1835, where he was called to the bar 28 Jan. 1842, and went to Australia that year, intending to practise at the bar in Sydney.

He sat in the Legislative Council there 1843-50, being elected Member for Sydney 1848 but returned to England 1850. He m. (1) 26 March 1836 Georgiana (who d. 3 Nov. 1884), 2nd dau. of George Orred of Aigburth House, Liverpool, and (2) 3 Feb. 1885 Caroline dau. of Thomas Sneyd, of Ashcombe Park, co. Stafford. Mr. Lowe was M.P. Kidderminster 1852-9, Calne 1859-65, and London Univ. 1868 till created Viscount Sherbrooke 25 May 1880. He was Joint Sec. to the Board of Control Dec. 1852 to Feb. 1855, P.C. 13 Aug. 1855, Vice Pres. of the Board of Trade and Paymaster General Aug. 1855 to March 1858, Pres. of the Board of Health and Vice Pres. of Education June 1859 to April 1864, Chancellor of the Exchequer Dec. 1868-73, and Home Secretary Aug. 1873 to Feb. 1874. His Lordship who was an Ecclesiastical Commr., an elected Trustee of the British Museum, and one of the Senate of London Univ., was made J.P. Surrey 1859, and G.C.B. 30 June 1885, and d. 9 July 1892, when the title became extinct.

1855. Aug. 14. Rt. Hon. Robert Lowe, re-el. on taking office.

1857 Mar. 28. Rt. Hon R. Lowe. L. 234. W. Boycott. C. 146.

William Boycott sen. was Mayor of Kidderminster 1847, 1848, as was William Boycott jun. 1850.

1859. April 30. A. R. Bristow. L. 216.

J. W. Huddleston. C. 207.

The defeated candidate John Walter Huddleston, of The Grange, Ascot Heath, was the yst. son of Thomas Huddleston R.M., of Dublin, and was b. 8 Sept. 1817, and matric. Trin. Coll. Dublin. He ent. Gray's Inn 18 April 1836, where he was called to the bar 7 May 1839, made a Q.C. in Trinity Vacation 1857, Bencher 22 July 1857, and was twice Treasurer of his Inn 1859-60. He unsucc. cont. Worcester 1852, Shrewsbury 1857, Kidderminster 1859, and Norwich 1870, but sat for Canterbury 1865-8, when defeated there, and for Norwich 1874 till raised to the Bench. After a very successful practice as the leader of the Oxford circuit, Mr. Huddleston, who was Counsel to the Admiralty and Navy and Judge Advocate of the Fleet 1865-75, was created a Serjeant at law 27 Feb. 1875, and was a Justice of the Court of Common Pleas Feb. to May 1875, and a Baron of the Exchequer May to Nov. 1875, when (under the Judicature Act) he became a Justice of the Exchequer Division of the High Court of Justice, but retained his designation of Baron. He became a Justice of the Queen's Bench Division Jan. 1879. Baron Huddleston became a Member of the Council of Legal Education 1862, and was Knighted 13 May 1875. He m. 18 Dec. 1872 Lady Diana de Vere Beauclerk only dau. of Wm. 9th Duke of St. Alban, and d. 5 Dec. 1890.

Alfred Rhodes Bristow of Bushey Green House, Lewisham, Kent, was b. at Greenwich 1816, the 3rd and yst. son of Isaac B. of that place, government contractor, and having been educ. at King's Coll. London, was adm. a Solicitor in Easter term 1840, and practised in London. He was a Commr. of Oaths in 1863, but having ent. Gray's Inn 18 Jan. 1866, he was called to the bar 17 Nov. 1868. Mr. Bristow m. 16 June 1842 Margaret eldest dau. of John Oswald of The Palace, Croydon, and was F.R.S., Dep. Lieut. for Kent, a member of the Metropolitan Board of Works (for Greenwich, Deptford, and Hatcham), from its establishment in 1855 to 1862, M.P. Kidderminster 1859-62, and Solicitor to the Admiralty and Navy May 1862 till his death 5 April 1875.

1862. May 27. Hon. Luke White. L. 229. John Gilbert Talbot. C. 219.

Mr. Talbot also unsucc. cont. Malmesbury 1865, but sat for West Kent 1868-78, when he res. his seat and was returned for Oxford Univ. which he has since rep. (See Williams' Oxfordshire Members). He m. 1860 Hon. Muriel Sarah Lyttelton dau. of the 4th Lord Lyttelton, and was Sec. to the Board of Trade 1878-80.

Hon. Luke White of Woodlands Castle, Lucan, Dublin (formerly called Luttrellstown, the Earl of Carhampton's seat), eldest son of Col. Henry White M.P. (who was created Lord Annaly 19 Aug. 1863), was b. in London 26 Sept. 1829, educ. at Eton, ent. the 13th Light Dragoons 1847, and retired as Captain 1853. He m. 24 Aug. 1853 Emily dau. of James Stuart, was Lt.-Col. R. Longford Militia 2 March 1859 to June 1884, M.P. co. Clare 1859 till unseated 1860, Longford July 1861 to March 1862 when defeated on accepting office, Kidderminster May 1862-5, when again defeated, and also unsucc. cont. Carrickfergus 1865. He held office as a Lord of the Treasury March 1862 to June 1866, and as State Steward to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland (Earl Spencer) Dec. 1868 to Feb. 1874, succ. his father as 2nd Lord Annaly 3 Sept. 1873, was Lord Lieut. of Co. Longford 1873-4, made K.P. 188—, and d. 18 March 1888.

1865. July 12. Albert Grant. C. 285. *Hon. Luke White.* L. 270.

Albert Grant, of Cooper's Hill, Surrey, was b. in Dublin Dec. 1830, educ. in London and Paris, m. 1856 Emily Isabella eldest dau. of Skeffington Robinson of Maida Vale and Epsom, and assumed in 1863 the name of Grant in lieu of his patronymic Gottheimer. He was in 1868 D.L. Tower Hamlets, F.S.A., Dep. Gov. of the Credit Foncier and Mobilier of England, Pres. of the Belgian Public Works Co., Chairman of the City of Milan Improvement Co., a member of the Royal Institute of G.B., a Vice-Pres. of the Council of the Society for the encouragement of the Fine Arts. He was Lt.-Col. 6th Tower Hamlets Rifle Vol. till June 1869, head of the banking firm of Grant Brothers

& Co., Lombard Street, created an hereditary Baron of Italy 1868, and Commander of the Order of St. Maurice and Lazures of Italy 1871, M.P. Kidderminster 1865-8, and Feb. 1874 till unseated, and was defeated there 1880. Baron Grant, who was patron of one living, presented Leicester Square Inclosure as a free gift to the Metropolis in Jan. 1874.

1868. Nov. 17. Thomas Lea. L. 1272. W. T. Makins. C. 821.

The defeated candidate Col. William Thomas Makins of Rother-field Court, Henley-on-Thames, was M.P. for S. Essex 1874-85, S.E. Essex 1885-6, and S.W. Essex 1886-92.

Thomas Lea of The Larches, Kidderminster, eldest son of George Butcher Lea of Kidderminster, manufacturer, was b. 17 Jan. 1841, and m. 20 Jan. 1864 Louisa dau. of Wm. Birch of Barton-under-Needwood, co. Stafford. He was made J.P. co. Worc. 1871, M.P. Kidderminster 1868-74, when defeated, unsucc. cont. co. Donegal Aug. 1876, but rep. it Dec. 1879-85, when he was defeated for East Donegal, and has rep. S. Londonderry since 1886. He was made a Baronet 13 Oct. 1892, and is Chairman of the Metropolitan and Birmingham Bank, and of the Kidderminster Gas Co., and a Director of H.H. Vivian and Co., Ld.

1874. Feb. 2. Baron A. Grant. C. 1509. Thomas Lea. L. 1319.

On petition this election was declared void in July.

1874. Aug. 1. Sir W. A. Fraser. C. 1651.

George Harris Lea. L. 1318.

George Harris Lea was brother to the M.P. 1868. He was b. 1843, also unsucc. cont. Wigan 1885, and was app. County Court Judge of Herefordshire and Salop 1891.

Sir William Augustus Fraser, eldest son of Sir James John F. who fought at Waterloo, and whom he succ. as 4th Bt. 5 June 1834, was b. 10 Feb. 1826, educ. at Eton, matric. Ch. Ch. Oxon. 31 May 1844, B.A. 1849, M.A. 1852, Cornet and Sub-Lieut. 1st Life Guards 1847, Captain 1853, retired 1854. He was app. one of the Queen's Body Guard for Scotland, M.P. Barnstaple 1852 till uns. April 1853, and 1857-9, Ludlow Aug. 1863-5, Kidderminster Aug. 1874-80, and was made J.P. and D.L. Middlesex, J.P. Westminster and London, F.S.A. and F.R.G.S.

1880. March 31. John Brinton. L. 1795.

**Baron A. Grant. C. 1472.

John Brinton of Moor Hall, Stourport, 3rd son of Henry B. of Kidderminster, was b. there 25 Jan. 1825, and m. (1) 14 Oct. 1853

Anne (who d. 17 July 1863) dau. of Samuel Oldham of Rathmines, co. Dublin, (2) 12 Jan. 1865 Mary (who d. 14 Feb. 1887) eldest dau of Col. John Chaytor R.E. of Durham, and (3) 24 Dec. 1891 Mary widow of Wm. Simmons Allen of Handsworth, co. Stafford. He was elected for Kidderminster March 1880, but accepted the Chiltern Hundreds the next month, on account of holding a Government Contract, and was reelected without opposition, and sat till 1886. He is Chairman of Brintons Limited, (formerly John Brinton and Co., carpet manufacturers, Kidderminster, which he joined as a partner in 1848), was Chairman of the Carpet Manufacturers Association for 14 years, app. J.P. Kidderminster 1856, J.P. co. Worc. 1876, H.S. 1889, Ald. of County Council since 1890, was a Member of the Kidderminster School Board 1871-88, Chairman of its School of Art 1863-89, Vice-Chairman of its Board of Guardians till 1880, and Chairman thereof 1880-04. Mr. Brinton who was made a Chevalier of the Legion of Honour of France 1866, presented the Brinton Park (24 acres in extent) to the Borough of Kidderminster by deed Aug. 1887.

1880. May 7. John Brinton, re-elected after accepting the Stewardship of the Chiltern Hundreds.

1885. Nov. 24. John Brinton. L. 2172. A. F. Godson. C. 2024.

1886. July 3. A. F. Godson. C. 2081. W. S. Blunt. G.L. 1796.

Wilfrid Seawen Blunt of Crabbet Park, Crawley, Sussex, who also unsucc. cont. Deptford Feb. 1888, was b. 1840, and m. 1869 Lady Anne King-Noel dau. of Wm. 1st Earl of Lovelace. He was in the Diplomatic Service 1859-70.

Augustus Frederick Godson of Westwood Park, Droitwich, eldest son of Septimus Holmes G. of Tenbury, bar. at law, and nephew to the M.P. 1832, was b. 18 Aug. 1835, educ. at King's Coll., London, matric. Queen's Coll. Oxon. 2 June 1853, B.A. 1858, M.A. 1860, ent. the Inner Temple 5 June 1854, called to the bar 17 Nov. 1859, and went the Oxford circuit. He m. 16 Feb. 1869 Jane Charlotte yst. dau. of Edmund Boughton of Stoke, Coventry, and was made J.P. co. Worc., unsucc. cont. Warwick 1874, 1880, and Kidderminster 1885, but has rep. the latter Borough since 1886.

1892. July. A. F. Godson. C. 2066. Richard Eve. L.G. 1801.

Mr. Eve of Aldershot, solicitor, also unsucc. cont. St. George's in the East July and Aug. 1886, and N. Hants 1885, July 1887, and 1892.

1895. July 16. A. F. Godson. C. 2008. Richard Eve. R. 1713.

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